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Gary,

Before you put the finishing touches on a rebuttal, please look at the attached letter by David Moretti who is recently retired from MTA Bridges & Tunnels.

MTA has recently installed AET on the new Henry Hudson Bridge. According to my research, the charge per car is \$2.54 for E-ZPass and \$5.50 for pay by mail.

Interesting that the mail charge is nearly \$2 higher than the electronic rate. I suspect that most of the traffic across the Hudson in this location is from local commuters and that the E-ZPass penetration rate is higher than Maine's. MTA Bridges & Tunnels also has 8 other tolling locations with which to support the risk. They collect about \$600M in annual tolls of which I suspect only a small percentage is collected on the Henry Hudson.

I believe that MTA still has some gates in place on its other structures that need to be lifted by a signal from a transponder. And this is the reason why IAG is still selling a \$9 tag instead of a sticker tag that might cost as little as \$1.70.

Let's take a moment to reflect on how to address the views expressed by Moretti whose letter was recently published in the local newspaper and has now been submitted by the town manager to the Army Corps.

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