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The U. S. Department of Transportation's Urban Mass

Transportation Administration (UMTA) today announced publication of a report entitled Demand-Responsive Transportation System

Planning Guidelines. Prepared by the MITRE Corporation, this report offers preliminary planning guidelines to assist in the selection and design of demand-responsive transportation systems.

Twelve demand-responsive systems operating in the United States and Canada were analyzed. A summary of the major characteristics, transportation competition, support and control staff, system economics and special services of each is presented.

The guidelines developed from this data are submitted in the form of a systematic procedure designed to provide estimates of ridership, fleet size, staff requirements, capital and operating costs, fare structures and other determinants in developing operating parameters and preliminary economic evaluation of the planned system.

The report is available to the public through U.S. Department of Commerce's National Technical Information Service (NTIS), 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22151, (703) 321-8543. The order number is PB 232-970/AS; printed copies are \$3.25 each.

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