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DOT SPONSORS AUTOMATED  
GUIDEWAY WORKSHOP

Automated Guideway Transit (AGT) technology research and development is the subject of a U.S. Department of Transportation sponsored workshop to be convened in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on February 28, 1978.

The three-day conference is being sponsored by the Department's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA). It will provide a medium for disseminating the results of current AGT research and will elicit comments from the AGT technical community on further research requirements.

The conference will consist of two days of invited technical papers on AGT research sponsored by the Department and also will include presentations on foreign government sponsored research. A day of informal workshop sessions will follow the presentation of technical papers.

The presentations are expected to cover research performed under UMTA's Office of Technology Development and Deployment programs, the Department's Office of University Research, and Transportation Advanced Research Program and the Federal Highway Administration.

Papers will also be presented on on-going AGT research programs in Canada, France and West Germany.

Topics covered by the program will include operational experience, system operation control, system operation simulation, passenger safety and security, vehicle lateral and longitudinal control, reliability and maintainability; capital, operating and life cycle cost analysis.

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The workshop sessions will cover transit innovations, system operations, vehicle control and reliability, guideway facilities and all-weather operation and social and economic factors.

Interested parties are invited to attend the conference and workshops to be held at the Transportation Systems Center.

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A source for additional information regarding the conference is Miss Chita deVillafraanca, Transportation Systems Center, DTS-8311, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142.

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