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A U.S. Department of Transportation sponsored workshop on Precast Concrete Tunnel Lining Systems - will be held on November 17-18, 1975 at the Engineering Society of Baltimore, 11 West Mount Vernon Place, in Baltimore, Maryland.

The workshop is designed to present an overview of tunnel lining systems with focus on determination of the viability of precast concrete tunnel linings for current underground transit construction.

Although the technique of using precast tunnel liners is used extensively in Europe and Japan, the liners have not been used for transit purposes in the United States. The first use in this country is a proposed test section for Baltimore. The technique offers the potential of substantially reducing costs of lining tunnels.

The workshop is being sponsored by the Department's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) and arranged by KGA Management Consultants, a minority business enterprise group from Boston, Massachusetts. Presentations will be made by key professionals representing the construction, consulting, and academic professions in the United States, United Kingdom, Germany and Japan.

The conference is open to all interested individuals and is tailored to show contractors and mass transit operators that precast concrete tunnel lining systems are viable, cost saving alternatives in transit construction.

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