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PROPOSED RULEMAKING ON THE UNIFORM SYSTEM OF ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS AND REPORTING SYSTEM REQUIRED BY SECTION 15 OF THE URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ACT OF 1964

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

Transportation Administration (UMTA) today will publish a notice of proposed rulemaking in the Federal Register on the proposed uniform system of accounts and records and reporting system required by Section 15 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964. The purpose of these proposed systems is to satisfy the Congressional requirement for development of information on which to base planning for public transportation service, and to make public sector investment decisions at all levels of government. This notice of proposed rulemaking defines the Section 15 Reporting System and the Uniform System of Accounts and Records, to which recipients of capital or operating assistance funds provided under Section 5 of the

Act are subject.

A public hearing will also be held on this "Notice of Proposed Rulemaking" for the purpose of considering the views of the public including transit operators, Metropolitan Planning Organizations, State agencies, and others. This public hearing will be held on Tuesday, December 7, 1976, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon and from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (EDT) at the Department of Transportation Headquarters, Nassif Building, 400 7th Street S.W., Washington, D.C. in Room 2230.

Written presentations by any interested person including those who may not have sufficient time to express their views at the hearing or anyone unable to attend, may be submitted to the Chief Counsel, UMTA, Attention: "Section 15 Reporting System", before December 14, 1976, 400 Seventh Street S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590.

All persons, official bodies and organizations interested in presenting written and/or oral testimony pertaining to this hearing may register in advance of the hearing by calling (202) 426-4043 or writing the Director, UMTA Office of Public Affairs, 400 7th Street S.W., Room 9330, Washington, D.C. 20590. Those persons, official bodies or organizations who do not register in advance will be heard after advanced registrants have been called and heard.

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