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During February, 1974, the Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) announced 26 grants/contracts totaling \$25,228,746. Following is a digest of these grants, their dollar amount, UMTA project number, and date of announcement. For further information contact the UMTA Office of Public Affairs at (202) 426-4043 or the grantee.

The grants were made to:

\*Seattle, Washington, University of Washington -- \$29,930 -- to conduct an urban transportation research project. The project provides for research on the influence of memory factors in accident reporting. It will study how perceived fault biases the individual's memory of an accident, the effects of any delay period prior to questioning of witness, and develop questions that produce the most complete and accurate accident reports. (WA-11-0004, 1/25/74)

\*Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority -- \$550,000 -- a supplementary grant to extend electrified commuter railroad service 1.8 miles from Hatboro to Warminster. The original grant of \$1,150,146 extends electrification to a major new terminal with substantial parking capacity. (PA-03-0009-01, 2/1/74)

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\*Waterloo, Iowa -- \$94,000 -- a supplementary grant for construction of a garage facility and other transit improvements. The original \$171,748 grant assisted in the purchase of fareboxes, shop equipment, land acquisition and other improvements. (IA-03-0009-01, 2/1/74)

\*Sumter, South Carolina -- \$42,182 -- a supplementary grant to assist in the purchase of four new 35-passenger, air-conditioned buses and construction of a new maintenance and office building. The original grant for this project was \$115,608. (SC-03-0001-01, 2/1/74)

\*Toledo, Ohio, Lucas County Planning Commission -- \$87,500 -- to assist in the completion of a land use and transportation study supported by previous UMTA funding. In addition, it will begin a continuing planning phase in the Toledo area. (OH-09-0018, 2/1/74)

\*Providence, Rhode Island, Rhode Island Public Transit Authority -- \$74,256 -- a supplementary grant to assist in engineering and architectural services in connection with a previously funded UMTA project in Providence. The original grant of \$580,711 assisted in the purchase and rehabilitation of equipment and facilities for the area's transportation system. (RI-03-0004-01, 2/1/74)

\*Quincy, Illinois -- \$27,268 -- to assist in preparing a five year transit development program. The study will evaluate the existing company's assets and liabilities, service, anticipated improvements, and develop schedules of improvement priorities. (IL-09-0016, 2/1/74)

\*Washington, D.C., American Transit Association -- \$4,000 -- to plan and conduct two regional seminars for transit industry personnel on the current energy shortages. (DC-06-0102, 2/1/74)

\*Detroit, Michigan, Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority -- \$2,872,800 -- to assist in the purchase of the assets of the Great Lakes Corporation, Martin Lines, and Metropolitan Transit, and the acquisition of transit-related equipment. (MI-03-0029, 2/4/74)

\*Ashtabula, Ohio -- \$123,240 -- to assist in the purchase of three new 25-passenger buses, three fareboxes, maintenance and related equipment, one-half acre of land and the construction of

a garage and office building. (OH-03-0024, 2/4/74)

\*Johnson City, Tennessee -- \$19,200 -- to assist in the performance of a study which will determine the feasibility of continuing mass transportation services to Johnson City and the surrounding area. (TN-09-0003, 2/4/74)

\*Ann Arbor, Michigan, Ann Arbor Transportation Authority -- \$1,333,200 -- to assist in the purchase of 45 new 10-16 passenger buses, five of which will be equipped with wheelchair lifts. In addition, 11 new 45-passenger buses and other transit related equipment will be purchased to establish a city-wide dial-a-ride bus system. (MI-03-0023, 2/7/74)

\*Tucson, Arizona, Pima Association of Governments -- \$251,836 -- to support the transit-related portion of the Pima Association of Governments FY 1974 Unified Work Program. The study will include both short and long-range planning activities. (AZ-09-0007, 2/7/74)

\*Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, Luzerne County Transportation Authority -- \$630,800 -- to assist in the acquisition of the privately owned Wilkes-Barre Transit Corporation, ten used buses from the White Transit Company, environmental improvement kits and new fareboxes. (PA-03-0045, 2/8/74)

\*Atlanta, Georgia, Atlanta Regional Commission -- \$1,200,000 -- to support the region's Integrated Grant Administration Program. The study will continue reevaluation of the transportation plan and station area impact studies. (GA-09-0016, 2/12/74)

\*Baltimore, Maryland, Maryland Department of Transportation -- \$610,640 -- a supplementary grant to assist in financing the transit portion of the Baltimore region Unified Transportation Planning Program for FY 1974. UMTA has previously obligated \$984,800 to assist area planning. (MD-09-0007-01, 2/12/74)

\*Cincinnati, Ohio, Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments -- \$143,500 -- to support long-range and continuing planning activities in the area. The study will include short-range

tasks and support the region's Unified Work Program. (IT-09-0036, 2/12/74)

\*Los Angeles, California, Southern California Rapid Transit District -- \$64,150 -- to develop a bus mechanic training program. The program will upgrade bus mechanics in electrical, air-conditioning and welding skills. Instructional materials, including tests to measure mechanical skills, will be developed for use by transit properties nationwide. (CA-06-0065, 2/12/74)

\*Aurora, Illinois -- \$82,932 -- a supplementary grant to assist in the construction of a bus garage. The original \$404,004 grant included the purchase of buses, fareboxes, an emergency vehicle and construction of maintenance facilities. (IL-03-0021-01, 2/13/74)

\*Charleston, West Virginia, Kanawha Valley Regional Transportation Authority -- \$3,052,424 -- to assist in the purchase of the assets of the privately owned Charleston Transit Company, 40 new buses and transit-related equipment. (WV-03-0004, 2/13/74)

\*Eugene, Oregon, Lane Transit District -- \$1,043,012 -- to assist in the purchase of 19 new 31-35 passenger buses, shop and fueling/washing properties and related bus transit support equipment including a specially equipped bus for wheelchair passengers. (OR-03-0007, 2/15/74)

\*Kansas City, Missouri, Mid-America Regional Council -- \$566,190 -- to support the transit-related elements of the region's 1974 Unified Work Program. (IT-09-0035, 2/15/74)

\*Salt Lake City, Utah, Utah Transit Authority -- \$1,087,176 -- to assist in the purchase of 28 new 45-passenger buses, bus stop signs, shelters, service vehicles and related bus transit equipment. (UT-03-0003, 2/19/74)

\*Albuquerque, New Mexico, Middle Rio Grande Council of Governments -- \$64,800 -- to assist in the evaluation of existing conditions, assess potential demand for transit in the Albuquerque area, and analyze transit alternatives. The study will result in a five year transit development program which will be merged with a

long-range intermodal transportation plan. (NM-09-0001, 2/19/74)

\*New Orleans, Louisiana, Mississippi River Bridge Authority  
-- \$10,707,920 -- to assist in the purchase of three diesel-powered  
ferry boats, reconstruction of passenger terminal facilities, fringe  
parking areas and related facilities. (LA-03-0012, 2/28/74)

\*Grey Advertising of New York City in Association with Chase  
Rosen & Wallace Inc., of Alexandria, Virginia and Irving P. Smith  
& Associates of Washington, D.C. -- \$465,790 -- to develop a  
methodology for measuring the effectiveness of a transit marketing  
program that includes market research, transit service planning,  
revisions of fares and schedules and promotional functions.  
(IT-06-0078, 2/28/74)

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