

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

NEWS

TAD-493

URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE October 1, 1973

UMTA 73-89 Phone: (202) 426-4043

During the Month of September 1973 the Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) announced 12 grants/contracts totalling \$9,533,776. Following is a digest of these grants, their dollar amount, UMTA Project number, and date of release. For further information contact the UMTA Office of Public Affairs at (202) 426-4043 or the grantee.

The grants were made to:

*Greater Richmond Transit Company, Virginia --- \$5,068,280 --- for public acquisition of the assets of the Virginia Transit Company. Included is the purchase of 76 new 45-passenger, air-conditioned buses with environmental equipment, and installation of additional environmental equipment on present buses. (VA-03-0005, 9/18/73)

*Cleveland Transit System, Cleveland, Ohio --- \$454,256 --- amends previous grant of \$1.3 million -- complete revenue service tests and evaluation of AC propulsion equipment on three "airporter" cars. (OH-06-0006-1, 9/6/73)

*General Motors Corporation, Warren, Michigan; Rohr Corporation, Chula Vista, California; Transportation Technology, Inc., Denver, Colorado --- \$1,500,000 (\$500,000 each) --- to cover the concept and system design

of UMTA's Dual Mode Transit System Development Program, Phase I, which combines two primary methods of operation: a driver-operated mode on surface streets or highways and an automated mode on fixed guideways. (IT-06-9999-4, 9/5/73)

*The Boeing Aerospace Company, Seattle, Washington --- \$2,000,000 --- provides incremental funding for the Phase 1A and Phase 1B programs of the Morgantown PRT System. (DOT-UT-20007 MOD-NO-23, 9/4/73)

*Washington, D.C., Transit Development Corporation --- \$200,000 --- to provide technical support to UMTA in it's Research and Development programs for urban rapid rail vehicles, systems, and system safety. (DC-06-0082 and DC-06-0091, 9/18/73)

*Cambridge, Massachusetts, Transportation Systems Center --\$150,000 --- to test the ability of the Simulation of Corridor Traffic (SCOT)
program to determine the effects of various bus priority strategies on
downtown traffic. (MA-06-0038, 9/9/73)

*Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts
--- \$50,532.72 --- to perform research on Personal Rapid Transit system
guideways under UMTA's University Research and Training program.
(MA-11-0023, 9/9/73)

*Washington, D.C., The George Washington University --- \$69,576 --- to study the design, development, and organization of university centers of urban transportation research and training under UMTA's University Research and Training program. (DC-11-0004, 9/25/73)

*The Urban Institute, Washington, D.C. --- \$12,500 --- to develop methodology for and to evaluate how transportation needs are met in cities without regular public mass transportation service. (DC-06-0096, 9/9/73)

*North Carolina Department of Transportation, Raleigh, North Carolina --- \$12,000 --- for advanced managerial training of a transportation planner at North Carolina State University, Raleigh. (NC-10-0001, 8/31/73)

*New York City Planning Commission, New York, New York --- \$12,000 --- for advanced managerial training of a junior planner at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute. (NY-10-0031, 8/30/73)

*Derby, Connecticut, Valley Transit District --- \$4,634 --- for advanced managerial training of Executive Director at Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA. (CT-10-0001, 8/31/73)