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DOT TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT CONTRACTS TOTAL \$51.3 MILLION

A contract award of \$27,081,645 to Boeing Aerospace Company, Seattle, Wash., for Advanced Group Rapid Transit System development was announced today by Secretary of Transportation Brock Adams.

The contract provides a means for testing critical technology items associated with the Advanced Group Rapid Transit concept.

Among the system characteristics to be tested are short stopping distances, operation of vehicles at three-second intervals and operation of an on-board collision avoidance system.

Adams also announced the award of a \$24,248,446 Advanced Group Rapid Transit contract to Otis Elevator Company, Denver, Colo., for a similar program of development and testing.

Both contracts with the department's Urban Mass Transportation Administration require the design, fabrication and testing of vehicles, guideways, command and control systems and other Advanced Group Rapid Transit System components.

The Advanced Group Rapid Transit project is a long-term research effort to develop automated transit systems capable of improved transit service to urban areas.

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