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REGIONAL CONFERENCES SET ON DISADVANTAGED AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE REGULATIONS

The Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) today announced a series of five conferences which will help interested parties to become better informed about Federal laws and regulations assuring contracting opportunities for women and disadvantaged business enterprises.

UMTA, in conjunction with the American Public Transit Association (APTA) and the American Association of the State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), will sponsor the meetings in Atlanta, Philadelphia, Arlington, Texas, San Francisco and Chicago. The conferences are intended to bring together transit officials, other state and local transportation officials, contractors and transit vehicle manufacturers to share experiences in implementing Section 105(f) of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982, which set a goal of at least 10 percent of Federal-aid highway and transit contract funds for disadvantaged firms. Discussions will cover legal and administrative issues, as well as contracting and procurement opportunities.

Schedule of Conferences

<u>City</u>	<u>Hotel</u>	<u>Date</u>
Atlanta, GA	Westin Peachtree Plaza	July 17-20
Philadelphia, PA	Franklin Plaza Hotel	July 24-27
Arlington, TX	Flagship Inn	August 7-10
San Francisco, CA	Sir Francis Drake	August 14-17
Chicago, IL	Hotel Continental	August 20-23

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All attendees are requested to make their own hotel reservations. For additional information, contact:

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