Washington Metropolitan Area Transportation Authority Board Action/Information Summary

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PURPOSE

Initiate and award a five-year contract for a Safety Management Assessment and Enhancement to improve safety performance and reduce workers' compensation costs.

DESCRIPTION

The Contractor shall deliver a comprehensive safety management approach that improves WMATA's safety program and record, changes the culture of WMATA's organization, increases accountability, and reduces workers' compensation costs.

Part I: Safety Management Assessment - Conduct an assessment of the safety management system to identify training needs and develop specific action plans.

Part II: Enhancement - Increase accountability for the safety environment and adherence of safety rules, procedures, practices and protocols at all levels of the organization. The contractor will provide training and assist in implementing action plans. Lost time injury cases, bus and rail passenger injury rates, bus collision rates, and rail facility occupant injuries will be reduced by 50%.

This is the most cost-effective and proven alternative for improving safety performance.

FUNDING IMPACT

The contractor will be paid from savings realized and the first payment will not occur for 12 to 18 months. Therefore, no funding is required at this time.

RECOMMENDATION

Board approves the initiation and award of a five-year contract for a Safety Management Assessment and Enhancement to improve safety performance at WMATA.