Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board Action/Information Summary

●Action ○Information	MEAD Number: 100353	Resolution: • Yes • No
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TITLE:

FY2010 Annual DBE Program Goal

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this action is to seek approval of the 45-day period for public comment regarding the proposed Annual Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program goal for Federal Fiscal Year 2010. This is in compliance with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulations for federally-funded recipients, which require a public comment period prior to final adoption of the annual goal.

DESCRIPTION:

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), under 49 CFR, Part 26, requires all recipients of federal funds to establish an annual goal for DBE participation on federally-funded contracts. Metro will be informing the public of the proposed goal of 25% by holding a public comment period from May 28 to July 13, 2009. There will be a public meeting on June 30, 2009. Staff used guidelines developed by the USDOT to calculate the annual goal. The empirical data was generated from the 2002 U.S. Census data on businesses.

FUNDING IMPACT:

The FTA requires an annual DBE goal as part of the certications and assurances necessary to receive grant funding.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of the 45-day period for public comment on the proposed federal FY 2010 DBE Goal of 25%.