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Metro To Host Visits By Congressmen James Oberstar (D-MN) and Tom Petri (R-WI) This Week

Congressman James Oberstar of Minnesota, the Ranking Democrat on the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee, will be making a short visit to Metro headquarters this Tuesday, August 9th. Oberstar, now serving his 16th term in Congress, was a key player in the recently passed surface transportation bill.

Congressman Tom Petri, the Chairman of the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee's Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines, will also be making a brief visit to Metro headquarters this Thursday, August 11th. Petri, a staunch transportation advocate, is being mentioned as a leading contender to become the next Chairman of the full House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee.

Chief Planning Officer James De La Loza Resigns to Join Private Industry

Metro's chief planning officer, James de la Loza, has resigned effective Friday, Aug. 19, to take a job in private industry. He will join Camp, Dresser & McKee Inc. or CDM, based in Cambridge, Mass as vice president of transportation in the Los Angeles office. CDM provides consulting, engineering, planning and management services in water resources, wastewater, environmental, aviation and surface transportation and other areas of industry. He will be responsible for expanding the firm's transportation consulting business on the West Coast. Press Release is attached.

La Opinion may publish an article Tuesday about the Teamsters protest at Transportation Concepts, Inc.

La Opinion may publish an article Tuesday, August 9th about the Teamsters protest at Transportation Concepts, Inc. (TCI). TCI recently was awarded a contract to operate North Region Lines 96, 167, 218 and 603 for Metro. Prior to Aug. 1, 2005 two of those lines – 96 & 167 – were operated by First Transit, which has union operators represented by the Teamsters. TCI is not a union operator. The Teamsters have been protesting against TCI for the past week but there have been no major service disruptions. Metro is not involved in the TCI discussions with their employees.

Update on Contract Bus Service Labor Issue

Transportation Concepts made full rollout this morning with one bus leaving 18 minutes late due to a non-operational wheelchair lift; the bus was replaced. The picketing quietly continues with seven Teamsters Union reps and seven of the 17 striking drivers. The Teamsters brought out an 18-wheeler with a big “Teamsters” sign on it and are driving up and down the block in front of the bus yard. The Sheriff’s support continues and again no incidents were reported today.

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