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| **Friday, May 2, 2014 140502-1**  **In this Issue:**  **TAP Demos New TVM Interface at Union Station 75th Anniversary**  **Procurement Posting for Next Week**  **Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events** |
| **TAP Demos New TVM Interface at Union Station 75th Anniversary**    Tomorrow, Saturday, May 3, 2014, TAP will demonstrate a new TAP Vending Machine user interface to the public at Union Station’s 75th Anniversary event. The demo will be conducted throughout the day by TAP staff at TVM number 80 on the Red Line platform in the West Portal. Union Station visitors will get to see a 1st glimpse of new screen designs and user flows for purchasing and reloading TAP cards. Some of these new features include a status bar across the top of all screens to manage the progress of transactions, easily identifiable screens for Senior/Disabled & Medicare riders, graphic animations and instruction on when and how to tap, and much more!  **Procurement Posting for Next Week** Stair Upgrade at Terminals 47 and 48 (IFB) Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure construction services for the Stair Upgrade Project at El Monte Busway Station Terminals 47 and 48. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Monday, May 5, 2014 through Monday, August 11, 2014. The purpose of this bid-build project is to remove and replace the existing metal stairs because of corrosion. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Leonardo Lopez, Senior Contract Administrator at (213) 922-3675.  Safety Gloves (IFB)  Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure Safety Gloves. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Wednesday, May 7, 2014 through Saturday, August 30, 2014. Safety Gloves are needed to provide hand protection for all employees involved in handling material and chemicals and maintaining equipment. Award of a contract will provide a commitment from the supplier to ensure availability at a fixed, competitive price. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Tanya Allen, Procurement Planning Administrator, at (213) 922-1018 or [allent@metro.net](mailto:allent@metro.net).  Bus Engine Harnesses (IFB)  Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure Bus Engine Harnesses. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, May 8, 2014 through Sunday, August 31, 2014. Engine harnesses are needed to maintain the bus fleet and thus avoid disruption in service. Award of a contract will provide a commitment from the supplier to ensure availability at a fixed, competitive price. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Tanya Allen, Procurement Planning Administrator, at (213) 922-1018 or [allent@metro.net](mailto:allent@metro.net).  Trash & Vegetation Removal Services for Bus and Rail Right-of-Ways and Facilities (IFB)  Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure the services of a contractor to provide Trash and Vegetation Removal Services for Bus and Rail Right-of-Ways and Facilities. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, May 8, 2014 through Tuesday, September 30, 2014. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Thomas Meng, Senior Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1074.  **Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events**  Next week I will be attending a meeting at Division 8 as well as a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting with Director Bonin. I will also be attending a luncheon with the Move Riders Club, the Senior transit riders’ organization. Lastly, I will be at Operations Central Instruction (OCI) for bus training with Metro Board Chair Diane Dubois and staff. | |
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