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Media Reaction to John Catoe's Hiring at WMATA

Media Relations received numerous inquiries today regarding the hiring of John Catoe as the Washington Metropolitan Area Transportation Authority's (WMATA) new general manager. Staff provided reporters with the Associated Press, *The Washington Times*, *The Washington D.C. Examiner*, the *Los Angeles Times*, City News Service and the *Daily News* with John Catoe's official biography and photo. I also spoke with a reporter from *The Washington D.C. Examiner* where I stressed that John is very talented transit professional. I am very proud of him and his accomplishments at Metro. I wish him all the best in his new role. He has the opportunity to do great things at WMATA.

FTA New Starts Projects Quarterly Review Meeting Agenda

The Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) New Starts Projects Quarterly Review Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 29th at 10:00 a.m. It will be held in the Gateway Conference Room on the third floor of the Metro headquarters building. Attendees will receive opening remarks from Leslie Rogers, FTA's Regional Administrator, along with overviews on legal issues, security and safety issues, ADA compliance and the 2550 Rail Vehicle Program from Metro staff. The Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension and Mid-City/Exposition Light Rail Transit Projects will also be discussed.

Of Note

On this day in 1901, Pacific Electric Rail Company was incorporated with Henry

E. Huntington as its president. Pacific Electric went on to build the Long Beach line and purchase numerous smaller rail operations to consolidate electric streetcar services into two main companies in 1911; one for interurban service that retained the Pacific Electric name, and another for inner city urban rail, the Los Angeles Railway Company.

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