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Memorandum

To: Members of the Boston Region MPO

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Re: Overview of CATA's Capital Planning Process

CATA's Capital Planning Process

Quarter 1

- 1. CATA reviews capital needs of the agency with a five year horizon
 - a. CATA receives a limited amount of FTA 5307 funds, typically around \$500K-\$550K
 - b. CATA historically programs \$285k-\$325k for preventive maintenance each year
 - c. Vehicle needs are reviewed (TAM plan)
 - d. Other capital requirements are reviewed/discussed amongst CATA and contractors
 - i. Maintenance equipment
 - ii. Building repairs and upkeep
 - iii. Technology/software requirements

Quarter 2

- 2. CATA prepares an internal draft five year capital plan
- 3. CATA enters the five year capital plan into the MassDOT GrantsPlus system
 - a. Includes funding sources from FTA, MassDOT RTACAP, local, etc

Quarter 3

4. FTA announces 5307 formula funds for Boston UZA

- 5. 5307 Split Agreement is distributed amongst the appropriate designated recipients
 - a. Agreed upon formula for the distribution of the Boston UZA 5307 formula funds
 - b. CATA reviews, signs, and returns Split Agreement to coordinating RTA

Quarter 4

- 6. MassDOT CIP
 - a. CATA provides background information to MassDOT for scoring RTA projects
 - b. MassDOT reviews and approves/disapproves projects on CATA project list
- 7. CATA's project list moves to the MPO for review, discussion, and approval
- 8. TIP is approved
- 9. CATA applies for FTA 5307 formula funds