

SUMMARY MINUTES
DULLES CORRIDOR COMMITTEE
MEETING OF DECEMBER 11, 2013

In Mr. Davis's absence, Mr. Conner chaired the December 11 Dulles Corridor Committee Meeting, calling it to order at 1:03 p.m. A quorum was present: Mr. Adams, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Gates, Mr. Griffin, Ms. McConnell, Mr. McDermott, Ms. Merrick, Mr. Session, Ms. Wells, Mr. Williams and Mr. Curto, *ex officio*. Mr. Carter and Ms. Lang were also present.

Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project Phase 1 Monthly Cost Summary. Pat Nowakowski, Executive Director of the Metrorail Project, reported that \$17.6 million had been spent in October, bringing total expenditures to \$2.577 billion. He also reported that the total project budget forecast remained at \$2.905 billion. Mr. Nowakowski reported that contingency used through September totaled \$423.2 million. An additional \$1 million in contingency funds had been spent in October, bringing the contingency total to \$424.2 million with an unobligated contingency of \$38.1 million remaining. He noted that due to unresolved issues that had been identified during the testing program, he was unable to forecast a substantial completion date at the day's meeting. Mr. Nowakowski assured everyone that the Authority and the contractor are working very aggressively to expedite the process.

Mr. Conner stated his understanding of Alstom's role in testing the software for the train control system, and noted that the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) has had a long history with Alstom, to which Mr. Nowakowski agreed.

Mr. Nowakowski then reviewed the process leading up to substantial completion. He reported that staff is presently attempting to complete a number of issues concurrently during the delay that could have been addressed during post-substantial completion. He then reviewed the process leading up to substantial completion, and announced that a major remaining simulated rail service test had not yet occurred. Mr. Nowakowski reported that once Dulles Transit Partners, LLC (DTP) had transmitted its documentation to the Authority required under its contract and supported by its declaration, the Authority would have 15 days to review it and advise whether it believed that substantial completion had been achieved. If the Authority decided that substantial completion had not been achieved, DTP would have an opportunity to cure the issue

and the 15-day timeline would start over. Once the Authority agreed that substantial completion had been achieved, the care, custody and control of the right of way would then be turned over to WMATA so that it could begin its familiarization training and testing, at which time its 90-day period would begin.

In response to Mr. Conner's inquiry about other major issues that needed to be resolved with respect to Phase 1, Mr. Nowakowski reported that remaining small items were being completed to take advantage of the additional time during the delay.

Directors and staff also discussed public outreach regarding the simulated testing to be completed and the availability of contingency funds to close out Phase 1 of the Project.

As a result of a continued discussion, Mr. Conner requested that staff provide an internal report with respect to fixing the software glitch revealed during the testing.

In an effort to summarize the Project's current status distinct from the Alstom testing issue, Mr. Potter explained that had DTP been able to perform against the original schedule, the 15-day review period would have occurred and a decision could have been made on whether substantial completion had been achieved.

The Meeting was thereupon adjourned at 1:22 p.m.