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EXECUTIVE REPORT

May 2018

Bill Deville and Executive Staff

HUMAN RESOURCES: *Darrell Brown*

- CATS made the following hires in April: Maintenance – 1 Utility Technician; AVL Technology – 1 Electronics Technician.
- The next new hire orientation is scheduled for June 11th.

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE: *Rod Goldman*

- Operations now has 147 Operators on the roster; 135 are active.
- 17 of 23 Trainees are still in the program.
- See attached Performance Measures

CEO NOTES: *Bill Deville*

- We have made great progress over the last month since we last met, and here are things to update:
 - CATS accepted positive changes to the FMO Findings Report and the Final Findings Report is due in the next two weeks
 - CATS On Demand transitioned to MV Transportation on Sunday, May 6th, and service has been going well this first week despite a few transition glitches that are common when such a large service shifts providers.
 - ETC Institute arrived yesterday and conducted training of their surveyors; they began on-board customer satisfaction surveys on May 11th and will continue through May 27th. The board will receive a final report in July.
- Union negotiations are ongoing through today, April 13th, and another round of negotiations is scheduled for May 22-25.

PLANNING: *Bill Deville*

FACILITIES PLANNING: *James Baker*

- **Transit Hubs – Ongoing**
- **North Baton Rouge Hub** – Staff continues to reach out FTA regarding the status of the North Baton Rouge grant.
 - CATS participated in a FuturEBR Open House on May 1st and was able to inform the North Baton Rouge community of plans for the North Baton Rouge Transit Center and the introduction of the new Plank Road BRT service and infrastructure improvements.
- **South Baton Rouge Hub** – Staff continues to work with Health District officials and the Commuter Rail Commission to determine viable locations for the Health District Transportation Center.
- **East Baton Rouge Hub** – CATS was not successful in its bid for a FTA TIGER grant and has requested a debrief from FTA to understand the shortcomings

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of the application; this will aid the agency in its next grant application, which is due in July.

- **Downtown Hub** –CATS continues its work in support of a Commuter Rail through its Steering Committee, and staff is working to determine suitable sites for the Downtown Health District Multi-Modal Transportation Center.

BUS RAPID TRANSIT – Ongoing

- CATS staff has established a Service Improvement Plan Task Force to identify the means and methods to implement and fund infrastructure improvements to begin the Bus Rapid Transit Network of Plank, Florida, and Nicholson service, with our Plank BRT Service starting in early 2019.
- CATS is working to meet the revenue service date and has solicited engineering consulting services to prepare construction plans for BRT service along both Plank Road and Florida Boulevard.
- CATS continues to participate in a number of ongoing discussions with major stakeholders regarding the plans for BRT. Management recently met with officials from the RDA, DPW, BRAF, and the City-Parish and there is discussion regarding their respective roles and offers of technical, financial, and other resources they bring to the project to make the first BRT in the state a successful endeavor.

CEO-EXECUTED CONTRACTS: *Bill Deville*

None.