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*** McArdle Informs PFAC Jan. 17** by Alan Borenstein

Frank McArdle of the General Contractors Association will be the guest of NYMTC's January 17 Program, Finance and Administration Committee (PFAC) meeting. Mr. McArdle will be updating us on the work of the National Surface Transportation Policy and Revenue Study Commission in Washington, D.C.

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*** UPWP at PFAC** by Alan Borenstein

NYMTC's Program, Finance and Administration Committee (PFAC) will vote to recommend the annual Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) at the January 17 meeting. The Council will then act on the program at its annual meeting in March. The draft program is available on the NYMTC website (www.NYMTC.org/aboutupwp.cfm) and comments can be provided at the meeting.

The UPWP contains \$24 million in new transportation planning funds for activities by NYMTC's staff and member agencies. These funds are used to develop NYMTC products: Regional Transportation Plan, Transportation Improvement Program, and Congestion Management Process as well as transportation planning studies and research, forecasting and needs assessment activities. The funds are also used to maintain and improve NYMTC's Best Practices Model and carry out air quality conformity analysis, as well as planning activities by NYMTC's member agencies. The planning program is drawn from the Regional Transportation Plan, the planning priorities of the member agencies and public requests, both individually and through NYMTC's Planning Prospectus.

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*** NYMTC Presents at TRB** by Kuo-Ann Chiao

NYMTC staff will participate in a number of presentations at the 2008 Transportation Research Board (TRB) Annual Meeting that will be held during the week of January 13 in Washington, D.C. Please see the list of 2008 TRB workshops and sessions in which NYMTC staff will participate as panelists in the Calendar of Events, below. More information about the 2008 TRB Annual Meeting program is at www.trb.org/am/ip/default.asp.
Contact: Kuo-Ann Chiao at 212.383.7212 or KChiao@dot.state.ny.us.

*** Freight at Brown Bag** by Gerry Bogacz

New York City Industrial Business Zones will be profiled as sustainable freight transportation infrastructure at the January 16 NYMTC Brown Bag presentation. Phaedra Thomas, Executive Director of the Southwest Brooklyn Industrial Development Corporation and Adam Friedman, Executive Director of the NY Industrial Retention Network will present a southwest Brooklyn case study to illustrate potential roles for these zones in developing sustainable freight systems.



This presentation will relate the Southwest Brooklyn Industrial Business Zone to current NYMTC efforts in planning for Freight Villages. The discussion will also include the local business communities' physical and social assets that make the area ripe to be a model NYC freight village; what functions the area currently performs for the City's transportation systems and overall economic development; and how those functions can

be enhanced in the future. The presentation will also cover current threats to Industrial Business Zones and what planning tools could be implemented to mitigate such threats.

The presentation will be webcast (www.NYMTC.org) and you can participate by toll-free telephone by calling: 866.209.6438; participant code: 781594.

Contact Gretchen Riederer at 212.383. 7258 or GRiederer@dot.state.ny.us.

*** Town Hall Meeting on Plan** by Jan Khan

January 24 marks the first in a series of public outreach sessions on the 2010-2035 Regional Transportation Plan update. This session will be in the form of a town hall meeting and webcast, starting at 7pm at NYMTC's offices. The live webcast can be accessed through the NYMTC website (www.NYMTC.org) and it will also be archived after the meeting. The draft section for review and comment is "Overarching Issues and Trends." It is the first completed draft section of the Plan update and outlines some of the external factors or conditions which are likely to influence transportation planning and policymaking in the long-term. Downloadable copies of the document and the meeting notice are available on NYMTC's website.

There will be additional opportunities for members of the public and other interested parties to comment as the comment period will be open through February 25, 2008. Contact: Jan Khan @ 212.383.7251 or JKhan@dot.state.ny.us.



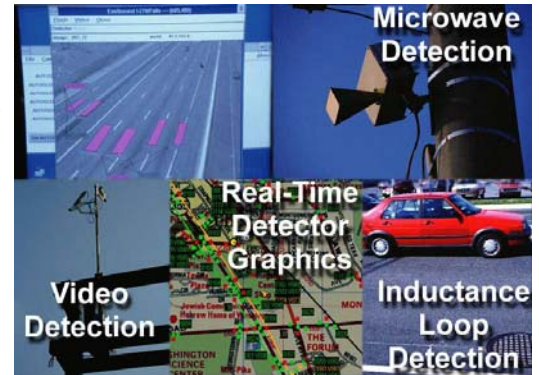
*** Emerging Technologies and Transportation** by Fatai Adekoya

NYMTC, in collaboration with Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, is executing a scan of emerging technologies and their impacts on transportation in the New York region. The scan is part of the development of NYMTC's next Regional Transportation Plan. The initial list of technologies compiled by the project investigators reveals future and promising technologies that are still in development but have a potential to be implemented in the next 10-15 years.

Biofuels, nano-technology, wireless communication and sensor technologies, route guidance methodologies and intelligent taxibus systems are some examples. A great number of information-technology innovations are also emerging, including a wide variety that could affect the propensity to telecommute and car pool. The draft technical memo on this project will be available in June, 2008. At the end of the overall assessment, the research team will conduct a full day conference to disseminate the research efforts. The most likely technologies and their impacts will be discussed at this conference.

Information and communications technology affect transportation directly and indirectly in a number of ways. It is in fact impossible to discuss issues related to transportation without including the impact of these emerging technologies. Personal travel, commercial travel, and information will flow in vastly different ways as a result of new technologies.

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***Mobility Meeting on March 11** by Gerry Bogacz

Mark your calendars for the next meeting of the Metropolitan Mobility Network on March 11 at 10am. The agenda will feature a presentation on the Managed Use Lane study underway in New York City, which is looking at options for better managing key roadways in the City. There will also be a discussion of the 2008 Regional Commuter Choice Awards, which will recognize employers making significant efforts to encourage their employees to

commute via alternative transportation. See the calendar of events for more details.

Contact: Jan Khan at 212.383.7251 or JKhan@dot.state.ny.us.

*** Look for Freight Model RFP** by Ali Mohseni

NYMTC anticipates the release of a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking a consultant to develop the New York Regional Freight Model. Consultants interested in receiving the RFP should submit a brief Letter of Interest to the contact person listed below. An electronic letter announcing the release of the RFP will be emailed to all parties submitting a Letter of Interest.

The RFP will be posted to the NYMTC and NYSDOT websites and will contain all the information necessary for firms to submit a complete proposal. It is anticipated that the RFP will be available on January 15, 2008. Please visit NYMTC's website at: www.NYMTC.org then Downloadable Files and Request for Proposals.

Contact: Ismet Apdiroglu at 212.383.2414 or IApdiroglu@dot.state.ny.us.



*** CALENDAR OF EVENTS ***

NYMTC Staff Workshop Presentations at 2008 TRB

1/13/08, 8:30am-12:00pm, Workshop 127, Practical and Institutional Issues in the Transition to Activity-Based Models; New York Perspective, Hilton.

P08-1011, Kuo-Ann Chiao, 212.383.7212, KChiao@dot.state.ny.us.

1/13/08, 1:30pm-5:00pm Workshop 169, Integrated Urban Models in Practice: Decision Support for Sustainable Urban Growth; Case Study 2: NY Experience, Hilton. P08-0893, Ali Mohseni, 212.383.7215, AMohseni@dot.state.ny.us.

1/14/08, 3:45pm-5:30pm, Session 367, Findability of Transportation Information; One-Stop Shopping for Regional Transportation Data: NYMTC Information Gateway Vision and Progress. Hilton. P08-0822, Kuo-Ann Chiao, 212.383.7212, KChiao@dot.state.ny.us.

1/16/08, 10:15am-12:00pm, Session 679, State Implementation Plan Controls for Ozone and Fine Particulates; Progress on Reducing Emissions in the New York Metro Area, Hilton. Larry McAuliffe, 212.383.7281, LMcAuliffe@dot.state.ny.us.

1/16/08, 12noon, Sustainable Freight NYMTC Brown Bag (webcast), 199 Water Street, NYC. Gretchen Riederer, 212.383.7258, GRiederer@dot.state.ny.us.

1/16/08, 7-9pm, Westchester 2025 and its Website: Plan Together, Westchester County Center, 198 Central Park Ave, White Plains. W. Brady, 914.995.4769, wbb4@westchestergov.com.

1/17/08, 1:15pm, Program, Finance and Administration Committee Meeting (webcast), 199 Water Street, NYC. Andrea Miles-Cole 718.482.4551, AMiles-Cole@dot.state.ny.us.

1/24/08, 7pm, NYMTC's Regional Transportation Plan, 2010-2035 (webcast). NYMTC, 199 Water Street, 22 Floor, NYC. Jan Khan, 212.383.7251, JKhan@dot.state.ny.us.

1/31/08, 10am-12noon, Mid-Hudson South TCC Meeting- Westchester County, 148 Martine St; Room 527, White Plains, NY. Jean Shanahan, 845.431.5768, JShanahan@dot.state.ny.us.

2/7/08, 6- 8pm, 2008 Leadership Awards Ceremony, NYU Wagner Rudin Center, Kimmel Center, 60 Washington Square South, NYC. Marta Panero, 212.998.7545, m.panero@nyu.edu.

3/11/08, 10am, Metropolitan Mobility Network, (webcast), NYMTC, 199 Water Street, NYC. Jan Khan, 212.383.7251, JKhan@dot.state.ny.us.

3/13/08, NYMTC Annual Council Meeting, New York University, Kimmel Center, NYC. Andrea Miles-Cole 718.482.4551, AMiles-Cole@dot.state.ny.us.



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