MINUTES OF THE

BI-STATE DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING CONSORTIUM

Thursday, October 1, 2015 – 1:30 p.m. Bi-State Regional Commission Conference Room 1504 Third Avenue Rock Island, Illinois

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kris Bedard RIM Rural Transit

Michelle Hostens Genesis Occupational Health

Kas Kelly Muscatine County

Kim Walker Henry County-Abilities Plus

Randy Zobrist River Bend Transit

OTHERS PRESENT:

Peggi Merchie Bi-State Regional Commission Lindsay Whitson Bi-State Regional Commission

- 1. <u>Approval of the Minutes of the February 20, 2014 Bi-State Drug and Alcohol Testing Consortium Meeting</u>. Ms Kelly opened the meeting by welcoming those present and asked for introductions. She called for approval of the minutes for the February 20, 2014 Drug and Alcohol Testing Consortium meeting. Ms. Kelly motioned to approve the meeting minutes as written. Mr. Zobrist seconded the motion, which carried.
- 2. Discuss the Bi-State Drug and Alcohol Testing Consortium Contract with Genesis. Ms. Whitson noted that exactly one year ago to date the Bi-State Drug and Alcohol Testing Consortium was resigned and initiated with Genesis Occupational Health. Ms. Whitson outlined the major roles and responsibilities that each party plays within the Consortium, including the transit agency, Bi-State Regional Commission, and Genesis Occupational Health. Ms. Hosten shared that Spencer Hall would be the new manager for Genesis Occupational Health and would be replacing Deni McCarter.
- 3. Update of Current 2015 Draws Completed Through the Bi-State Drug and Alcohol Testing Consortium. Ms. Whitson shared that the 2015 completed testing scores for the FMSCA pool and the FTA pool through the end of August were as follows: FMCSA had 232 urine drug tests completed and 51 tests completed for breath alcohol tests. This is a total of 30.54% of the necessary 50% completed for the drug tests, and 6.71% of the needed alcohol tests to be completed for the year. For the FTA pool, there were 31 urine drug tests completed, equating to 20.58% of the needed 25% completion rate, and 15 completed for breath alcohol tests, which represents 9.96% of the required 10% completion rate. With three months remaining in the calendar year, the Bi-State Drug and Alcohol Testing Consortium is in route to be in compliance with the required testing guidelines.

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- 4. Issues, Concerns, and Trainings. Ms. Hosten noted that transit agencies not abiding to the required testing are warned that they will be removed from the Consortium. After so many chances, they are immediately dropped. As for internal issues, it was recommended that transit agencies have a back-up person receive notifications for monthly testing and annual reports in the case the primary contact is on leave.
- 5. Public Comments. There were no public comments at the meeting.
- 6. Other Business. Ms. Whitson agreed to address the by-laws to establish whether a quorum is needed and how many attendees are required for future reference. The group did not believe that a quorum was necessary. Ms. Whitson also invited attendees to attend future public input meetings for the Illinois Statewide Transportation Plan.
- 7. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:20 p.m.

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