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CCTA General Manager Search Enters Public Phase

Final Candidate Interviews and Public Forum on October 7th

Burlington, VT (October 3, 2014) – A search committee formed in August 2014 to assist the CCTA Board of Commissioners in the General Manager search has concluded the initial round of candidate interviews. The search committee consists of five CCTA Board members, one member of the public, and three CCTA staff members representing administrative staff, the rural service area, and drivers.

CCTA received over 70 applications for the General Manager position and interviewed six candidates in the first round of interviews. At the conclusion of the first round of interviews earlier this week, the search committee selected two candidates to move forward; Mark Sousa and Karen Walton. The next stage of the selection process will include an open public engagement component that will enable all CCTA employees as well as members of the public from CCTA's five-county service area and beyond to meet the candidates and ask questions.

The CCTA Board of Commissioners will hold a Special Meeting on Tuesday, October 7th at 6:00 PM at the CCTA Administrative Office in Burlington to facilitate public participation with both candidates present. Any members of the public interested in the General Manager selection are welcome to attend and participate. Additionally, the Special Meeting and candidate interviews will be recorded and posted on the CCTA website. Those not able to attend on the 7th will be able to view the interviews and submit comments via an online form through October 17th.

Commenting on the search process, CCTA Board Chair Catherine Dimitruk said "The search committee was very pleased at the caliber of the applicants for this position. We are excited to provide an opportunity for all of CCTA and GMTA to meet our two finalists. Feedback from our employees, community officials, riders and other interested citizens will be helpful to the Board as we make our hiring decision."

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