

## 2019 Region 4 State Programs Annual Meeting

Legal

May 2019



## Legal Agenda

 FY19 Certifications and Assurances & Master Agreement

DOL Review

FTA Website / Circulars

Buy America Small Purchase Waivers



# FY19 Certifications and Assurances & Master Agreement

- Select All ... please...
  - Instructions:
  - Not every provision of every certification will apply to every applicant or award. If a provision of a certification does not apply to the applicant or its award, FTA will not enforce that provision.
    - CATEGORY 10. GRANTS FOR BUSES AND BUS FACILITIES AND LOW OR NO EMISSION VEHICLE DEPLOYMENT GRANT PROGRAMS.
    - CATEGORY 15. RAIL SAFETY TRAINING AND OVERSIGHT.
  - Thank you!



## DOL Review...

Mystery science theater?

• Early, early, early...





#### FTA Website // Circulars

Program Guidance for Metropolitan Planning and State Planning and Research Program Grants (C 8100.1D), Award Management Requirements (C 5010.1E), Guidance on Joint Development (C 7050.1A), Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Act Guidance (C 4704.1A), Americans with Disabilities Act Guidance (C 4710.1), Bus and Bus Facilities Program: Guidance and Application Instructions (C 5100.1), Research, Technical Assistance and Training Program: Application Instructions and Program Management Guidelines (C 6100.1E), State of Good Repair Grant Program: Guidance and Application Instructions (C 5300.1), Formula Grants for Rural Areas: Program Guidance and Application Instructions (C 9040.1G), Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program Guidance and Application Instructions (C 9070.1G), Urbanized Area Formula Program: Program Guidance and Application Instructions (C 9030.1E), Third Party Contracting Guidance (C 4220.1F), Title VI Requirements and Guidelines for Federal Transit Administration Recipients (C 4702.1B), Environmental Justice Policy Guidance For Federal Transit Administration Recipients (C 4703.1), Capital Investment Program Guidance and Application Instructions (C 9300.1B), Third Party Contracting Guidance (C 4220 1 F), Safety and Security Management Guidance for Major Capital Projects (C 5800.1), New Freedom

Program Guidance and Application Instructions (program cancelled), The Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) Program Guidance and Application Instructions (program cancelled), Full-Funding Grant Agreements Guidance (C 5200.1A), Intergovernmental Review of FTA Planning, Capital and Operating Programs and

Activities (C 9500.1)

## Don't forget the website!

- Decent FAQs
- Hint, google (no endorsement implied) search only the FTA website:
  - site: www.transit.dot.gov "school bus"



### Buy America Small Purchase Waiver

- FTA Issues Guidance Letter on Buy America Small Purchase Waivers
  - On September 16, 2016, FTA's Chief Counsel issued a <u>policy letter</u> to the industry clarifying the definition of "small purchases" for general public interest waivers from Buy America program requirements.
  - The FAST Act set the small <u>purchase</u> waiver at \$150,000 or less; that threshold will not increase with future adjustments made to the simplified acquisition threshold under the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR).
  - The small purchase waiver is now included in the Buy America statute at 49 USC 5323(j)(13)
     and applies to purchases, regardless of the size of the project.



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## Questions?

