

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION IN THIS COMPACT CONTAINED, WMATC SHALL HAVE NO AUTHORITY WITH RESPECT THERETO, OR WITH RESPECT TO ANY CONTRACTOR IN CONNECTION WITH THE OPERATION BY IT OF TRANSIT FACILITIES OWNED OR CONTROLLED BY THE AUTHORITY. THE DETERMINATIONS OF THE BOARD WITH RESPECT TO SUCH MATTERS SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW NOR TO THE PROCESSES OF ANY COURT.

61. STANDARDS.

INSOFAR AS PRACTICABLE, AND CONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISION OF ADEQUATE SERVICE AT REASONABLE FARES, THE RATES AND FARES AND SERVICE SHALL BE FIXED BY THE BOARD SO AS TO RESULT IN REVENUES WHICH WILL:

(A) PAY THE OPERATING EXPENSES AND PROVIDE FOR REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE AND DEPRECIATION OF THE TRANSIT SYSTEM OWNED OR CONTROLLED BY THE AUTHORITY;

(B) PROVIDE FOR PAYMENT OF ALL PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON OUTSTANDING REVENUE BONDS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND FOR PAYMENT OF ALL AMOUNTS TO SINKING FUNDS AND OTHER FUNDS AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE TERMS OF ANY INDENTURE OR LOAN AGREEMENT;

(C) PROVIDE FOR THE PURCHASE, LEASE OR ACQUISITION OF ROLLING STOCK, INCLUDING PROVISIONS FOR INTEREST, SINKING FUNDS, RESERVE FUNDS, OR OTHER FUNDS REQUIRED FOR THE PAYMENT OF ANY OBLIGATIONS INCURRED BY THE AUTHORITY FOR THE ACQUISITION OF ROLLING STOCK; AND

(D) PROVIDE FUNDS FOR ANY PURPOSE THE BOARD DEEMS NECESSARY AND DESIRABLE TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THIS TITLE.

62. HEARINGS.

(A) THE BOARD SHALL NOT MAKE OR CHANGE ANY FARE OR RATE, NOR ESTABLISH OR ABANDON ANY SERVICE EXCEPT AFTER HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

(B) ANY SIGNATORY, ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF, ANY AGENCY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND ANY PERSON, FIRM OR ASSOCIATION SERVED BY OR USING THE TRANSIT FACILITIES OF THE AUTHORITY AND ANY PRIVATE CARRIER MAY FILE A REQUEST WITH THE BOARD FOR A HEARING WITH RESPECT TO ANY RATES OR CHARGES MADE BY THE BOARD OR ANY SERVICE RENDERED WITH THE FACILITIES OWNED OR CONTROLLED BY THE AUTHORITY. SUCH REQUEST SHALL BE IN WRITING, SHALL STATE THE MATTER ON WHICH A HEARING IS REQUESTED AND SHALL SET FORTH CLEARLY THE MATTERS AND THINGS ON WHICH THE REQUEST RELIES. AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE AFTER SUCH A REQUEST IS FILED, THE BOARD, OR SUCH OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE AS IT MAY DESIGNATE, SHALL CONFER WITH THE PROTESTANT WITH RESPECT TO THE MATTERS COMPLAINED OF. AFTER SUCH CONFERENCE, THE BOARD, IF IT DEEMS THE MATTER MERITORIOUS AND OF GENERAL SIGNIFICANCE, MAY CALL A HEARING WITH RESPECT TO SUCH REQUEST.