

**MINUTES OF THE  
BI-STATE DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING CONSORTIUM**

Thursday, June 6, 2013  
Bi-State Conference Room  
Rock Island County Office Building  
1504 Third Avenue  
Rock Island, Illinois

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Travis Spivey	Galva CUSD #224
Jim Grafton	City of Silvis
LuAnn Baetke	North Scott Schools
Randy Zobrist	River Bend Transit

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Michelle Hostens	Genesis Occupational Health
Peggi Merchie	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Round Table Introductions. Ms. Merchie opened the meeting with introductions.
2. Staff Report on 2011 Testing Program Rates. Ms. Merchie provided committee members with a 2011 Testing Audit. Both testing pools met their mandatory testing rates for the 2011 Calendar Year. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) pool had an average of 771 employees, and needed 385 urine drug tests and 77 breath alcohol tests. The actual testing rate was 379 for urine drug (49.16%) and 86 for breath alcohol (11.16%). The Federal Transit Administration Pool had an average of 206.75 employees, and needed 52 urine drug tests and 21 breath alcohol tests. The FTA pool completed 58 urine drug tests (28.05%) and 31 breath alcohol tests (14.99%) during 2011. A copy of the testing audit is attached for reference.
3. Discussion of 2010 Testing Program Rates. Ms. Merchie noted that in past years, random tests have been drawn at a rate of 5% above the actual USDOT requirements. Recently, and particularly in the FTA pool, it does not appear the full 5% is needed to meet the Consortium's annual requirements. Ms. Merchie proposed that the Consortium test at a rate that is closer to the actual requirements (50%/10% for FMCSA and 25%/10% for FTA), and increase mid-year if needed. This will reduce the number of excess tests being completed. The Consortium Members that were present concurred.
4. Question and Comments Regarding Genesis Service. Ms. Merchie invited Consortium members to provide comments and ask questions regarding testing services since the last meeting.

Consortium members discussed the thresholds for FMCSA post-accident testing requirements, including a disabled vehicle, fatality, and injury that requires

individuals be transported from the scene. In some cases, the employer may have another policy in addition to federal requirements. For example, drivers may be required to conduct a post-accident test in all cases, not only those that meet US DOT requirements. Ms. Merchie recommended the employer outline what procedures are employer-specific, and not DOT-required, in the agency's Drug and Alcohol Program Policy.

5. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:45 a.m.