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Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority's Fare Transformation Program

Hawkins represented the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority as owner's lead counsel in connection with the procurement and negotiation of a \$700 million contract for the delivery of the MBTA's Fare Transformation Program, a new and advanced automated fare collection system to be implemented on a design-build-finance-operate-maintain basis. The MBTA is the sixth largest transit system in the nation, serving the greater Boston region. Our P3 legal team served in a central role, assisting in structuring the transaction, drafting and negotiating the complex project documentation, and integrating the project agreement with a related design-build contract for related system capital improvements. The Fare Transformation Program incorporates next generation payment technology, using contactless fare cards along with smartphone and contactless credit card payment systems. The firm is also representing the MBTA on a design-build procurement for related infrastructure required in connection with the system integrators' equipment and services.

Clients: Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority

Role: Owner's Lead Counsel

Distinction: Groundbreaking Automated Fare Collection System P3 Project, and First P3 for the MBTA

Delivery Method: Design-Build-Finance-Operate-Maintain (P3)

Contract Value: \$ 700 Million

Contract Term: 13 years

Contract Counterparties: Cubic Transportation Systems/ John Laing Consortium

Attorneys

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Practices

- Alternative Project Delivery
- Project Finance
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