

# Expanded Telecommuting Transportation Emission Reduction Measure (TERM) Program Draft Final Report

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# **Executive Summary**

The goal of the Commuter Connections Telework Resource Center is to increase the number of employees working from home or at one of the area's local telework centers, for the purpose of reducing traffic congestion and improving air quality in the Washington metropolitan region.

Transportation Emission Reduction Measure M-92 (Expanded Telecommuting TERM) was adopted in fiscal year 02-08 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) by the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB). The Telecommuting Advantage Group, (TAG), was hired to conduct the Expanded Telecommuting TERM which ran from July 1<sup>st</sup> of 2003 through June 30<sup>th</sup> of 2005. This program was initiated as a coordinated outreach program through the Commuter Connections Telework Resource Center at the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG).

At the program onset, Commuter Connections staff identified 123 private and public sector employers with 1,000 or more employees in northern Virginia and Maryland that would be targeted for the program. Federal organizations located as targets in Washington, DC were also included in this project. Additional organizations were identified through various methods including:

- A CD-ROM promotion. This activity included a CD-ROM mailer detailing the Expanded-TERM program and TAG's free consulting services, workshops and tools that were funded through the program.
- Networking Events. TAG's participation in Networking events through the
  Maryland Work/Life Coalition, the Metropolitan-Washington Work/Life Coalition, the
  Greater Washington Board of Trade, the International Telework Association and
  Council and the Mid-Atlantic Telecommuting Advisory Council (MATAC). TAG
  representatives conducted a presentation at the annual ITAC conference and
  participated in the Independent Review Board of the Maryland Work/Life Coalition.
- Independent research. TAG conducted independent research using business contact databases including Nexus/Lexus and Hoover's databases. Through this research, additional organizations with over 300 employees located in the Washington metropolitan region were identified as potential targets.

The final Expanded Telecommuting TERM database consists of 816 private and public organizations. TAG contacted each of these organizations by phone and email to conduct an intake interview and gauge the potential for their telework program.

TAG's primary incentive for organizations was the identification of the beneficial outcomes that employers could realize if they participated in the Expanded Telecommuting TERM. An additional incentive was the development of metrics around those outcomes that would result in a bottom-line return-on-investment. TAG worked with organizations to achieve increased employee retention, reduced recruiting costs, increased productivity, reduced overhead costs, reduced real-estate costs, and a positive public image.

TAG and Commuter Connections actively provided free telework training, tools and consulting services for Arlington County Government, Arnold and Porter, ATF, Booz Allen & Hamilton, the City of Alexandria, HUD, DOJ Antitrust, the FBI, the ITC, KPMG, Marriott International, MITRE, NIH, and Northrop-Grumman.

In 2004, the telework training tools and consulting services were expanded to include additional forms of alternative work arrangements including flexible scheduling, compressed work weeks and variations of combined programs. It was found that the inclusion of these programs increased the acceptance of telework as part of an overall flexwork program.

TAG's training included workshops for flexwork coordinators and three levels of manager training. The manager's workshops included an orientation workshop designed to create awareness around the new skill-sets managers need in a flexwork environment, and a tactical workshop that focuses on the utilization of new employee performance methods and communication models.

#### 1. **Program Approach and Strategies**

The initial project approach consisted of five basic tenets:

- A. Identify the most significant outcomes and issues for each organization and develop metrics and measurements to assess the attainment of those outcomes. This method allows managers to have performance measures for teleworkers and fosters support among upper management for a broad range of flexwork initiatives.
- B. Transfer the skill sets, tools and knowledge that organizations need to the people within the organization who are responsible for the program. Typically, these are telework coordinators who were often HR employees, but occasionally managers or other types of employees fill these roles.
- C. Build on the program and tools organizations have already put into place.
- D. Ensure that a champion has been identified and the infrastructure is in place to sustain a long-term program.
- E. Develop or expand a program around the most relevant outcomes, metrics and bottomline measurements each organization is able to realize from its flexwork program.

TAG utilized a phone "script" with each organization that was called (See Attachment A). The first contact with an organization was not meant to last more than fifteen minutes. During this brief conversation, TAG identified the lead contact (who often wasn't the person in the database), the existing status of telework in the organization, who the champion might be, and an initial list of possible outcomes for the program. After this introduction, an intake meeting was set up, designed to be no more than an hour.

The intake meeting took place over the phone or in person, depending on the preference of TAG's contact. The goals of the intake meeting were to get a more thorough understanding of the current status of telework, what outcomes and motivations the organization had for telework, what issues may need to be addressed, and who the champion in the organization was. The intake report is listed in Attachment B.

Each organization was then given a "Gold", "Silver", "Bronze", or "Not Participating" status (See Attachment B2). The goal for each ranking was to motivate the organization to move up to the next participation level. For Gold level organizations, the goal was to move them into actively beginning or starting their telework program. The definitions for each level are as follows:

Gold Level Employers view telework as an integral part of their strategic planning, helping them to achieve multiple organizational goals and enjoy a competitive advantage. Telework is not only embraced by senior leadership, well-funded, and specifically staffed, it is, or is planned on being, an embedded cornerstone of the company's organizational culture. At these companies, telework cannot simply be stopped or removed from practice. Instead, telework is viewed as "business as usual." The next action step was to expand and sustain the telework program.

Silver Level Employers have made, or are planning on making, a strong commitment to telework to achieve a particular organizational goal, perhaps to staff a call center or retain a certain type of employee. These organizations have embraced telework as an official organizational policy, managed by HR, Facilities, or some other traditional department. However, as telework is viewed as a solution to a specific issue, when that driver is eliminated, then telework is also jeopardized. Telework is not consistently viewed by all stakeholders as an overall business strategy with powerful ROI. The next action step for silver level organizations was to develop a stronger business case and link it to their organizational strategy.

Bronze Level Employers are unsure about the benefits and strategic advantages of a telework program. They are familiar with the concept and have a basic willingness to implement a program, but they are unsure of how to overcome the anticipated barriers and challenges. In these companies, although there may be a great deal of informal telework going on, there are no standardized policies, and no dedicated funding or staff to assist with program development or implementation. Resistance at various levels of management may be high and there is little acknowledgement of the ROI of telework. The next action step for bronze level organizations is to educate, inspire and develop a solid business case for telework.

Those organizations that informed TAG they had no intention of participating, or those that did not reply after five attempts to contact them, were listed as "Not Participating." In Organizations where TAG did not contact anyone, TAG attempted contact again after six months.

## 2a). Program Outcomes: Organizations that Required a Long-Term Investment

There were multiple reasons that some Expanded Telecommuting TERM participants made a significant investment in follow-up before they became active. These reasons included:

- A. The fact that many of the organizations were very large and required multiple levels of management approval and a high degree of coordination. As TAG worked with HR personnel, they discovered that it could take a long time to get approval from upper management to conduct workshops for telework coordinators and/or managers. Verizon Wireless is an example of this phenomenon. The two executive managers who were required to sign off on the telework program were located in states outside of Virginia and Maryland. Getting buy-in and approval was a process that TAG never completed as the coordination with their local liaison was extremely cumbersome.
- B. The person(s) that TAG were working with often had job or life changes that required organizations change contacts or wait until the changes had settled. Northrop-Grumman was one of the first organizations that TAG contacted. Though they had interest in the program, shortly after TAG began working with them one person left on maternity leave and the other received a promotion. It would be a year before TAG reengaged with Northrop-Grumman and included them in the program.

- C. Some organizations had business need changes that increased their motivation to develop or expand their telework program. Several organizations stated the need to include telework in their recruiting materials, as employees were beginning to ask for, and expect, telework options when joining an organization. Other organizations, such as MITRE, were experiencing significant growth and had real estate or other issues that could be partially addressed through telework.
- D. Some organizations had programs already developed. For these organizations TAG had to identify the piece, or pieces, that they were missing in order to receive more significant outcomes from their program. As with MITRE, it wasn't until TAG could identify metrics and measurements at a much higher level of specificity that they were willing to join the program and discuss expanding their program significantly.
- E. Federal agencies had already experienced the initiative that required them to develop telework options, but it took a more significant focus on COOP and upcoming retirement patterns to create a sense of urgency among organizations such as the Department of Justice.
- F. In January of 2005 TAG explained to employers that the Expanded Telecommuting TERM would be ending in less than five months. For several organizations, such as Booz Allen Hamilton, this was an added impetus for expanding their telework program.

#### **Program Outcomes: Organizations that Responded in a Short** 2b) Timeframe.

Some organizations responded quickly to TAG's outreach efforts. The reasons for this are the following:

- A. Initially, organizations that were utilizing telework coordinators reacted positively to the TAG telework coordinators training (see Attachment C for outline). It was clear to participating organizations that this training created expertise within each organization around the strategic and tactical aspects of implementing, sustaining and growing a telework program.
- B. Utilizing a modular approach among TAG's various workshops, tools and consulting, TAG could focus on specific areas of a new or expanding program. ATF required supervisor training at two levels. One was a manager's orientation around the types of skill sets they would need in a "telework" world. Another was around the tactical applications of creating metrics, collaboratively designing programs with employees, and managing by productivity.
- C. In the second year of the Expanded-TERM program, TAG began including other types of flexwork, including compressed workweeks and flexible scheduling. The inclusion of these types of flexwork allowed organizations such as Marriott International and Booz Allen Hamilton address some equity issues.
- D. Organizations that were looking to implement by a directive from an executive manager typically moved through the process more quickly.

#### Program Outcomes: Organizations that did not Respond at all. 2c).

Of the organizations that did not respond to any of TAG's outreach efforts, including phone, email or mail efforts, the following reasons are noted:

- A. Most organizations, particularly government organizations, have telework coordinators who implement telework at their respective agency as a collateral duty. Often there are no other duties taken "off of their plate" and no incentives in terms of recognition. In agencies in which telework is given lip service it was very difficult to get any traction.
- B. Many organizations did not see an immediate need for Telework, as none of the outcomes TAG stated (e.g. employee retention, productivity gains, real-estate savings, etc.), were deemed relevant or necessary to the success of their business plan.
- C. Many of the federal agencies TAG contacted were not motivated by the mandate to implement telework. As the guidelines allowed specific steps to be taken without measuring the number of teleworkers, it was possible for federal agencies to avoid meeting the mandate without facing serious consequences.
- D. TAG encountered several difficulties with the CD-ROM insofar as reaching the executive managers. These included:
  - Administrative assistants who screened incoming mail and phone calls. In two cases TAG had executive managers who were interested in the program but hadn't even heard of it until TAG was able to bypass the Administrative Assistant's.
  - Top executives, who do receive their own mail, get copious amounts. A prepackaged CD-ROM can easily be thrown out as any typical marketing materials.
  - The CD-ROM had a very basic message around telework. The Washington metropolitan area is very sophisticated insofar as understanding the telework concept is concerned.

#### 3). Organizations starting vs. Organizations expanding telework programs

During the program, TAG further modified its approach to organizations implementing telework programs versus those expanding telework programs. In coordination with the implementation of TAG's modular approach, this allowed TAG to hone in to the needs of each organization. The following factors were taken into account:

A. Some programs were already implemented on an informal basis. Technically, these organizations were expanding their programs, however in many respects they were implementing new programs. Often they had policies of some type in place. These organizations responded well to the need for metrics in order to realize any measurable gains. As this is not possible without formalizing the program, it provided incentives to formalize the program.

- B. Most organizations with informal programs were experiencing some type of program implementation challenge. Identifying these challenges and assisting with the implementation of a structured program helped provide incentives to formalize the program.
- C. Organizations that were totally new to telework received value from the Employer Telework workshops that the Commuter Connections Telework Resource Center conducts each year. TAG was able to provide the next level of training for these organizations.
- D. TAG's flexwork roadmap was effective with organizations that already had programs in place, including formal programs. The roadmap allowed TAG to identify specific areas in which TAG tools, workshops or consulting could help them. This allowed TAG to augment an organization's existing program and be as concise as possible with the most significant impact.

#### **4)**. The beginning of the Expanded Telecomuting TERM

TAG's outreach efforts began in early October of 2003. Details of the database and the initial outreach efforts are below:

- A. A list of the organizations in the original Commuter Connections ACT! Database identified for the project is included in Attachment D. These organizations each have a minimum of 1,000 employees. Many already had telework programs in place and the focus was to expand these programs.
- B. TAG's original schedule is included in Attachment E. The ACT! database was received in the beginning of October though the schedule reflects a date of September 1st. The three phase outreach plan is shown in Attachment F.
- C. Federal organizations included the telework directive in their outreach model. Though TAG would find that they had the most success with federal organizations that were targeting specific outcomes outside of meeting the federal mandate.

#### 5). Workshops

On March 9, 2004 a "dry-run" presentation was conducted by TAG for Commuter Connections stakeholders. The purpose of the "dry-run" was to get feedback on the workshop presentation and materials prior to them being used at any targeted worksites.

The organizations that TAG began to work with varied dramatically in their knowledge about telework, experiences with telework, (e.g. some organizations that had implemented informal programs had many inconsistencies in program continuity), and existing programs. As a result, TAG quickly expanded beyond their initial Foundation II Telework Coordinators workshop curriculum. This allowed TAG to hone in on the types of assistance that would motivate organizations to become involved.

The Foundation II Strategic workshop for telework coordinators focused on understanding how critical elements of a successful telework program supported the implementation and/or expansion of the program. An example is how metrics and measurements are used to gain

management support, as part of an effective communication model, and how the most effective metrics can be identified. Attachment G is a partial list of some of the metrics TAG discusses.

The Foundation II Tactical workshop for telework coordinators focused on the methods of implementing the tactical aspects of a telework program in both the startup and sustaining/growing aspects of a telework program. Using the example of metrics in the tactical workshop, attendees focused on the development of their organizations metrics now that they understood how they fit into their program's strategy. Attachment H is an overview of the modular components of the workshops.

Management Training. TAG began implementing two levels of management training. The Managers Orientation, (see Attachment I), was for supervisors and managers who were completely new to telework. The workshop focused on raising the awareness for managers around why flexwork was becoming more predominant, what skill sets and tools they would need for their workgroups, and how they could secure those skills sets and tools.

The Managers Nuts and Bolts Workshop, (see Attachment I), was focused on practicing these new skill sets and utilizing the tools. In this workshop managers also began the process of identifying the metrics that impacted their workgroups and how to evaluate performance through results rather than perceived effort.

During the second year of the program TAG began implementing one page evaluation forms after the workshops. Sample completed forms are included in Attachment J.

One-on-one workshops were held with some organizations as they had very specific areas that they needed to focus on as an organization. For these organizations, TAG conducted one-on-one workshops on any of the following topics:

- Metrics
- Overcoming management resistance
- Policy development
- Telework as a Business Continuity or COOP strategy

These workshops were often conducted prior to management training as it increased the level of interest in the flexwork program. They were also offered as the final step to implementing a flexwork program.

#### 6). **Initial Clientele**

TAG's first round of outreach focused on the original ACT! database provided by COG as seen in Attachment D. Organizations that TAG did work with included Arlington County Government, Booz Allen & Hamilton, the City of Alexandria, KPMG Marriott International, MITRE, NIH, and Northrop-Grumman.

TAG made certain modifications to the approach taken with employers and how TAG subsequently worked with the organizations after these experiences, including:

A. TAG expanded its offerings from telework (e.g. working from home or a remote location) to include flexible schedules (e.g. arriving at work early and leaving early), compressed workweeks, (e.g. four ten-hour days in one week), and mixed models (e.g. working from home the first two hours of the day and then commuting to work).

As a result of this shift, some organizations that had originally been difficult to gain traction with became interested in the Expanded Telecommuting TERM program. An example of this is Marriott International. Originally they were not interested in telework but implemented a flexible schedule program. As the flexible schedule program gained acceptance and the benefits were seen. Marriott expanded into telework next.

- B. TAG added a more sophisticated level of management training than when the program began. Organizations that had attended Commuter Connections' Employer Telework Workshop management training module, or who had more experience with telework and/or flexwork overall, were looking for more in-depth management training that focused on some of the issues that they were facing, or seeking help addressing the sources of resistance they were experiencing with managers. The addition of this training led to TAG's next two modifications in the program.
- C. TAG began focusing the workshops on single organizations rather than inviting multiple organizations to a single workshop. This allowed TAG's facilitators to focus the workshops on the outcomes and concerns of a specific organization. In addition, the culture and language of an organization could be included to make the workshops more meaningful and get the organizations closer to action when the workshop was complete. There were, on occasion, representatives from other employers that sat in on specific workshops.
- D. TAG created a modular approach to its Flexwork Coordinators, Management Training and consulting offerings. By surveying the organizations that TAG was working with, TAG's facilitators could select the modules that addressed a specific client's outcomes and concerns. This allowed TAG to shorten some workshops, increasing attendance and the level of focus of attendees, and to deliver the impact that the client was looking for. An example of this was the DEA. DEA's main area of concern was the resistance of middle managers. Also, while they understood the outcomes that they were seeking from the program, they did not know how to create the metrics around them. TAG utilized the modules from the managers training and flexwork coordinators training sessions that addressed those items. This allowed DEA to move forward with their program and was the first offering that allowed TAG in the door.
- E. TAG quickly learned that the Washington metropolitan region was relatively sophisticated in terms of the knowledge many organizations had about telework and flexwork in general. As a result, TAG began including more advanced materials in their workshops and added several modules to their offerings. Booz-Allen, for example, was one of the initial organizations TAG spoke with, but it wasn't until TAG could help them with some sophisticated issues that they were facing that they became involved in the program.
- F. Towards the final stages of the program (January 2005), TAG went back to the Bronze and Silver organizations that had not been contacted in at least six months. Normally, these organizations would have been moved down a tier at this point but the decision was made to conduct another round of outreach efforts. DOJ is a good example of the "patience pays off" theory. Due to some of the issues DOJ was facing, and expecting to face in the near future, the priority of flexwork had been moved up. This allowed their representative, who was responsible for the program, to give it much more

- attention. As a result, several DOJ entities became involved in the Expanded Telecommuting TERM.
- G. Federal agencies began receiving additional pressure to meet the federal mandate. Specific agencies were threatened with the withholding of five million dollars in discretionary funding if a telework program was not instituted at their agency. TAG included this directive (along with statistics about upcoming retirement rates and how telework could address associated challenges) in the federal government strategy.
- H. In the summer of 2004 TAG began using on-line survey tools to gain knowledge about organizations' commute patterns, personnel, and attitudes towards flexwork. MITRE, for example, was one of the first organizations contacted in the Expanded Telecommuting TERM program. It wasn't until TAG conducted a thorough survey about employee attitudes that executive management took the program seriously.

TAG also adjusted their approach into each organization based on the type of resource they were coordinating with, and the position that the flexwork champion held. As would be expected, HR executives were much more focused on retention and recruiting concerns than operational executives who were focused on productivity and overhead savings.

#### 7). **Expanding the Database**

TAG and Commuter Connections utilized several methods to expand the database to over 800 organizations in the metropolitan DC region. The final Telecommuting TERM ACT! database is included in Attachment K. The methods for expanding the database included:

- A. Both the Lexus/Nexus and Hoovers databases identified several private organizations in the region that were not in the original Commuter Connections Telecommuting TERM ACT! Database.
- B. The CD-ROM database was sent out to HR and Operational executives at 500 organizations. Most of these organizations were under the 1,000 employee minimum stated in the original criteria, but the smallest were still over 300 employees providing potential for the program.
- C. Networking events were attended by TAG personnel throughout the program. These events included meetings with the Maryland Work/Life Coalition, the Metropolitan-Washington Work/Life Coalition, the Greater Washington Board of Trade, the International Telework Association and Council and MATAC. While only a few new organizations were acquired through these efforts, several valuable contacts at the executive or telework coordinator level were made.
- D. Word of mouth also played a role in the expansion of the database. TAG's efforts were reported and resulted in new contacts, mainly in the federal sector. For example, after TAG's Metrics Workshop with DEA, TAG was introduced to the flexiplace representatives from FBI.

#### The CD-ROM Promotion 8).

In April of 2004 Commuter Connections, TAG and Joint Venture Inc. developed a short, (approximately 3 minute), multimedia CD-ROM, linked to a web site and database, as a way to increase visibility and participation in the ExpandedTelecommutingTERM program.

The identification of a "champion" in an organization is key component in TAG's approach. The champion needs to be a high level executive in the organization in order to promote and support a telework program. Obtaining a discussion with the champion of an organization increases the likelihood of obtaining buy-in from that organization. At the same time, at the outset of this program TAG was aware that getting the attention of senior managers is often a challenge.

This short multimedia CD-ROM was designed to catch the attention of targeted senior managers at large organizations. It was also designed to lead them to sources for additional information about the Expanded Telecommuting TERM and telework in general. Attachment L shows the script used for the CD-ROM.

A letter that accompanied the CD emphasized the need to establish telework programs in the Washington metropolitan area, the importance of "key" businesses to take the lead in advancing telework in the region, and the benefits of participation in the program (See Attachment M). The letter emphasized the importance of viewing the short CD and the valueadd to their organization.

The CD and mailer were sent to 584 senior level executives at companies that had between 300 to 1,000 employees. This package was sent during the third week of July 2004. After the package was sent, TAG began following up with each person on the mailing list.

The results of the CD-ROM promotion were mixed, at best. The "barriers" to accessing senior level executives were more considerable than TAG had anticipated. During the follow-up outreach calls TAG had administrative assistants who did not allow access to company executives. In those instances where TAG could speak with executives, many of those executives had never received the CD mailers. However, several of the executives that TAG did speak with were interested in the Expanded Telecommuting TERM and telework in general. These companies included Chevy Chase Bank, Geico Insurance, Ganette, Vastera, and the Washington Post. None of these organizations became active in the Expanded Telecommuting TERM but Ganette, Vastera and Geico all remain interested and remain viable leads for Commuter Connections.

#### 9). **Program Modifications**

TAG modified the outreach process to match other program changes. The phone and e-mail scripts were revised to include the flexwork options. TAG also adjusted the follow-up process with Bronze and Silver ranked organizations. This adjustment included placing a phone call to notify the organization that a more detailed e-mail was forthcoming. TAG found that organizations that had some continued interest were more likely to respond if they knew that a detailed informational e-mail was being sent to them.

Management training, which previously had been one component of the TAG workshops, was added as a stand-alone offering because there was management training offered through

another program. TAG found that organizations desired management training at a more advanced level that addressed new management skill-sets.

TAG also modularized all of the workshops. Each topic was put into a stand-alone module that could be added, deleted, reduced or expanded, depending on the client's need. A onepage on-line survey was created that was sent to workshop participants two weeks before each workshop. As TAG learned about the organizations' attitudes, experience, outcomes and concerns around flexwork they customized each workshop by adding the appropriate modules.

Customizing the workshops allowed TAG to focus in on the specific needs of each organization. As a result, the workshops were shorter in length, typically four hours instead of six. This allowed TAG to conduct more workshops than were originally budgeted. As TAG customized workshops for organizations, they had more workshops with only one organization attending as opposed to open workshops with multiple organizations. TAG found that the organizations benefited from this focus and it allowed them to leave with a more specific action plan on how to move forward with their flexwork program. Another positive effect of having workshops with one organization in attendance was that they were much more comfortable having employees attend via videoconference. This enabled TAG to increase participation for those that physically couldn't attend their organization's workshop.

Alternate flexwork programs, including flexible-scheduling, compressed workweeks, and a mixed model were added to TAG's outreach efforts and workshops. Several organizations responded well to this approach as it allowed them to include more employees in their alternative work program. Other organizations, such as Marriott International, were more comfortable starting with a program such as flexible-scheduling, and then moving into telework.

## 10). Succession Planning

TAG has provided Commuter Connections with a list of organizations to contact within the next six months. Some of these organizations had just begun engaging in TAG's efforts before the completion of the program and will most likely be open to continued support. Other organizations were interested but had short-term reasons for delaying their involvement with TAG's efforts to begin or expand their flexwork programs.

TAG's winning approaches for Commuter Connections are included in chapter nine, "Program Modifications" and in chapter eleven, "Recommendations." The following chapter details TAG's experiences with the Expanded Telecommuting TERM program.

## 11). Recommendations

TAG has several recommendations for moving forward in the Washington metropolitan area to expand the number of individuals flexworking.

A. Integrate and coordinate regional resources. Throughout the program TAG met with organizations that were not clear where the various workshops, resources and programs were coming from and how they worked together. Discovery Communications, for example, had participated in one regional telework program. It took two meetings to clarify how their participation in one telework incentive program affected their ability to participate in another.

B. Eliminate the perception of "free" from the region's offerings. When an organization receives "free" workshops, consulting, or other resources, they have no investment or risk in participating. This results in last minute changes or cancellations to workshops, frequent modifications to policies and procedures and other tools TAG was collaborating on, and a lack of urgency. The financial investment does not have to be significant. Rather, the process of having employees sign up and pay, even a small amount, for a workshop changes the perception of the importance of them being there.

TAG believes, had the organizations been financially vested, these experiences would have been lessened. It is much easier to expend someone else's resources when there is no repercussion to one's own organization. For example, one company had under 100 flexworkers at the onset and their goal was to double the program. They cancelled attendance at three telework coordinator workshops in a row and TAG met with them every other month or so. It wasn't until over a year after the first meeting that a telework coordinator meeting was held specific to their site. This happened because TAG dug down to an issue that upper management wanted to resolve and a source of ROI for the program. In order to get the program rolling they had to invest in a serious on-line survey, which went out to over 1,500 employees, and they gave interview access to other managers, including at the executive level, fully understanding that after the survey and interviews there would be a financial investment they would have to make. From that point a commitment was made in terms of people, access to managers, (who never missed an appointment), a presentation to the executive level for the two pilot groups, and an understanding that they would have to develop a budget.

Finally, sharing the financial burden, between the regional and state agencies involved in these efforts, can create an environment of partnership between the organizations and the people working with them.

There are some organizations for which the perceived "free" resources are necessary in order to get them involved. The outreach process needs to be flexible enough to identify and react to organizations when this situation is observed. However, receiving the initial "free" services may still require a shared commitment of resources to move an organization into action.

## 12). Evaluation

In order to determine the impacts for air quality and congestion, data were obtained from a survey of participating employers. Participating employers were surveyed by COG to determine the total employees at the worksites, the number of telecommuters before the assistance and the number of telecommuters after the assistance was provided. Additional calculation variables were used from the 2004 State of the Commute survey to estimate travel and emission impacts.

The results of the calculations for the Expanded Telecommuting TERM are shown below along with the established goals for the project.

## **Expanded Telework Goals and Estimated Impacts**

		Exp TW	Exp TW
		Goal	Impact
•	Number of telecommuters	113,000	4,884
•	Daily vehicle trips reduced*	33,660	1,848
•	Daily VMT reduced	303,613	36,859
•	Daily tons NOx reduced	0.254 T	0.030 T
•	Daily tons VOC reduced	0.138 T	0.016 T

<sup>\*</sup>Note: The "vehicle trips reduced" goal shows one-way trips, to be consistent with other TERM goals. The goal shown on the TERM tracking shows round-trips reduced.

## Impacts vs Goals

Participation Benefit (net over or (under) goal): Telecommuters: 108,116

**Transportation Benefit** (net over or (under) goal): Vehicle Trips: (31,812)

VMT: (513,509)

**Emission Benefit** (net over or (under) goal): NOx: (0.431 tons per day)

VOC: (0.236 tons per day)

The Expanded Telecommuting TERM missed the impact goals by a sizeable margin. The shortfall was significant for the number of commuters participating. The goals for this TERM assumed a telecommute frequency higher than the 1.29 days per week observed in the 2004 State Of The Commute survey. Further, the goal assumed all telecommuters would eliminate trips on telecommute days, but only about 74% of the telecommuters drive alone on non-telecommute days, thus only these trips and VMT were counted in this evaluation as having been eliminated.

Another possible contributor to the Expanded Telework shortfall is the time it takes to establish a client relationship with an employer and the time it takes many employers, especially large employers, to expand existing telecommute programs. There was also a start-up for this TERM that required the identification and contact of selected employers to persuade them to participate in the program. Then, the consultants worked individually with each employer to identify and implement sitespecific recommendations which may not have been implemented during the course of the two year time period.

## **Attachment A: TAG Script**

TAG Script October 14, 2003



Hello, \_\_\_\_\_. My name is Regina Perata and I am calling from the Telecommuting Advantage Group. Do you have just a moment?

Have you heard of us? Were you expecting our call based on any recent conversations with Dennis McElligott from MW-COG?

IF Yes, we received your name from MW- COG and have been asked to get in touch with you regarding your interest in telecommuting.

IF NO: The Telecommuting Advantage Group has been hired by MW-COG to encourage telecommuting in your area- enhancing programs that exist or helping to develop them from scratch if they don't exist. TAG has a unique approach that proactively addresses potential risks of a telework program, provides a measurable, bottom line return to the organization-just as if you had introduced a new product to the market in terms of ROI.

IF YES: Great. Well then, as you know, I am calling to speak with you in a bit more detail about the ways that we have been brought in to support your company in it's telecommuting efforts. TAG has a unique approach that proactively addresses potential risks of a telework program, provides a measurable, bottom line return to the organization-just as if you had introduced a new product to the market in terms of ROI. We actually help companies go beyond policy for policy-sake and help them get the benefits out of TW.

Yes, pretty amazing. This is all we specialize in and we LOVE seeing the way companies and people have benefited from the work we are committed to.

The best part for you is that MW- COG is funding your involvement with us so it's totally free to you!

Are you free to speak with me for about ten minutes just to get an initial sense of you, your company and your potential interest in taking advantage of our support?

Wonderful!

→ Start in with FIRST TWO OUTREACH QUESTIONS.

#### Things to remember:

Goal is to have 50 companies involved in programs by end of June 2005- companies with more than 1000 people in them.

GSA and OPM are federal agencies setting fed requirements.

## **Attachment B1: Organizational Tiering Criteria Intake**

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## TAG Outreach Tiering Criteria

- 1. Quality of the organization's contact
  - a. Were they appointed or self-selected?
  - b. Who in the organization is the "champion" of the program?
  - c. What is their number one concern about telework?
- 2a. Organizations with existing telework programs
  - a. When was the telework program started?
  - b. How many employees are teleworking?
  - c. On average, how many days per week do employees telework?
  - d. What criteria are used to select teleworkers?
  - e. Are any other types of alternative work arrangements used?
- 2b. Program structure and level of formality
  - What types of metrics are collected?
    - Policies and guidelines in place
      - o Teleworker behavior guidelines
      - o Contract between teleworker and manager
      - o Home office ergonomic and workspace environment guidelines
      - o Communication guidelines for teleworker, manager and workgroup
    - Assessments
      - o Job types
      - o Employee
      - Manager
      - Technical
      - o Workgroup
    - d. **Training** 
      - o Teleworker
      - Managers
      - o Workgroup

- Metrics
  - o Private organizations
    - Productivity gains
    - Employee retention
    - Real-estate savings
    - Direct cost reductions
    - Teleworker savings
    - Positive PR and community relations
  - Government organizations
    - Reduction in automobiles commuting
    - Reduction in reactive and non-reactive air pollution from mobile
    - Increased employment opportunities for specific communities and the physically disabled
- f. Technical
  - 1. Training for users and tweakers
  - 2. Support
- 3. Canceled telework program
  - a. When was the program started?
  - b. Specific information about the program
  - c. Issues that caused the program to be canceled.
- 4. Telework strategy and organizational culture
  - a. Is telework viewed as an overhead cost or as an investment with a return?
  - b. Has telework been incorporated into the way the organization does business?
  - c. What's the organizational view of telework?
    - o Upper management
    - o Teleworker managers
    - o Teleworkers
    - o Non-teleworking peers

- 5. Opportunities of telework for the organization
  - o Productivity gains
  - o Cost savings
  - o Employee attraction/retention
  - o Emergency preparedness
  - o Real-estate savings
  - o Societal, good PR, environmental
- 6. Hurdles and areas of resistance
  - o Upper management
  - o Teleworker managers
  - o Human resources
  - o Information technologies
- 7. Information technology
  - o Organization
    - Bandwidth
    - Security
    - Access
      - Static IPs
      - Mobile IPs
  - Teleworker
    - Hardware needs
    - Standardized software
    - Communication hardware/software
  - Training
  - o Support

# Attachment B2: Org. Ranking Sheet

# TAG/MWCOG Organizational Ranking

2. Organization's Contact	
2a. Existing Telework Programs	<b>;</b>
2b. Program Structure and Leve	el of Formality
3. Canceled Telework Program	Experience
4. Telework Strategy and Organ	izational Culture
4. Telework Strategy and Organ	izational Culture
5. Opportunities of Telework for	the Organization
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6. Hurdles and Areas of Resista	nce
7. Information Technology	
Overall Ranking – Gold, Silver,	Bronze
Name of Organization:	
Organizational Contact Name:	
-	<del>-</del>
TAG Liaison:	
Date of Ranking:	
Approval/Date:	

## **Attachment C: Telework Coordinator Workshop Outline**

## Telecommuting Advantage Group and the Metro-Washington **Council of Governments Present**

## Flexwork Implementation Skills Training Flexwork Strategies Part I & Part II



The Purpose: To provide telework coordinator(s) new skills and tools for the implementation of flexwork programs, allow the design and rollout of a telework program (or any human resources initiative) to be more successful, and to create the skill sets within organizations that will allow them to sustain and grow their own programs.

Overview: Two workshops are offered, each covering different aspects of implementing a sustainable telework program that accomplishes business objectives. Both sessions are packed with information, assessment tools, activities and tables packed with concrete suggestions. Workbooks are included.

- Part I, the "strategic" elements, includes information on what is going on in the "world of work" that is requiring organizations to learn new ways of conducting business, what the impact is on the managers/supervisors in that organization, how the development of metrics and measurements broaden the focus from the reduction of congestion and traffic to the "business" benefits of telework, the critical roles that specific tools such as policies and procedures play, and how a strategic communication plan fits into a well implemented program.
- Part II, the "tactical" elements, includes information and tools around all of the various aspects of implementing a flexwork program, increased detail on developing and capturing metrics, and how to utilize the key pieces needed for the specific organization involved.

#### Part I Objectives:

- View why flexwork is happening now and the impact to your organization.
- Recognize the new expectations, required skill sets and potential benefits are for your managers.
- To identify your organization's strengths and barriers to telework
- To create Return-on-Investment Based Metrics for your telework program
- To understand how to achieve buy-in from key organizational stakeholders

#### Part I Content Outline:

- Introduction: Why Flexwork Now? What are the recent business, social and technological events that are impacting how you do business?
- Defining Your Program Vision: What are the options? What is the right mix for your department? What is the difference between a formal and informal program and how they impact success?
- What about the managers? The most common area of resistance to flexwork, or any new way of doing business, is from management. These concerns are valid, we identify and address them and create awareness around what they'll need to flourish.
- Creating Specific & Relevant Metrics: What are useful indicators to measure that will impact the program? How can the metrics be used to change the conversation about telework programs? How can they be used to increase the effectiveness of implementation?
- Leveraging Metrics to Get Buy-In: Who are the stakeholders? How can they influence the successful rollout? How do use metrics to secure their support?
- Developing Your Influence for Implementation: What are the telework coordinators' "Power Points?" How can they be utilized to help the rollout of the

#### Part II Objectives:

- To identify how marketplace trends compel your organization to be successful in remote work
- To develop guidelines for communication and collaboration that maintain high productivity
- To create policies and procedures that mitigate concerns
- Discuss ALL aspects of a successful rollout
- Increase the level of detail for your organization's metrics and capturing data.
- To sketch a robust communication plan that guides program roll-out

#### Part II Content Outline:

- Introduction: The Telework Imperative Revisited
- Moving Towards the 21st Century Workplace
- Developing Communication and Collaboration Guidelines: How must your work groups interact to share information and collaborate to produce a competitive product/service? What are useful components of communication and collaboration norms?
- Aspects of a full rollout: Creating a program that is simple and effective for employees and managers to follow.
- Creating Policies & Procedures to Mitigate Concerns: What are the main telework concerns voiced in your organization? What elements do you need to include in your policy/procedures to address those concerns?
- Using a Communication Plan to Steer Program Roll-Out: Who are your various audiences and what are they interested in? What key messages can you offer to excite people? What events can you leverage to ensure your audiences are receiving the "right" messages? How can you ensure your program implementation has momentum?

## **Attachment D: Original ACT! Database**

## **Phone List**

#### **Company**

Accenture

Adventist Healthcare

Agency for International Development

America On Line, Inc.

American Management Systems (AMS)

American Red Cross

American University

Arlington County Government

Arlington Public Schools

Arnold & Porter

AT&T Government Solutions

Atlantic Coast Airline/United Express

**BAE Systems** 

Booz Allen & Hamilton

**Boston Properties** 

**BTG** 

**C-Cubed Corporation** 

Care First BCBS

Catholic University of America

Central Intelligence Agency

Charles E. Smith Co.

Chevy Chase Bank

Childrens Hospital

Cintas

City of Alexandria

City of Alexandria Public Schools

Clark Construction Group Inc

Commodity Futures Trading Commission

Computer Sciences Corp

**DDD** Company

Department of Commerce

Department of Defense

Department of Energy

Department of Housing and Urban Develop...

Department of Justice

Department of Labor

Department of State

Department of the Interior

Department of Transportation

Dewberry & Davis

**Dimensions Health Corporation** 

Discovery Communications, Inc.

District Photo Inc

**Doctors Community Hospital Inc** 

**Environmental Protection Agency** 

**Export Import Bank** 

**Exxon Mobil Corporation** 

Federal Deposit Insurance Corp

Federal Emergency Management Agency

Federal Labor Relations Agency

Freddie Mac

**Gallaudet University** 

**Gannett Company** 

**GEICO Direct** 

George Mason University

George Washington University

George Washington University Hospital

Georgetown University

Georgetown University Hospital

**Guest Services** 

**Howard University** 

Howard University Hospital

ICF Kaiser International Inc

INOVA Alexandria Hospital

INOVA Fair Oaks Hospital

Institute for Defense Analyses

International Trade Commission

Kpmg Peat Marwick Llp

Lockheed Martin

Loudoun Healthcare, Inc

Manugistics Group, Inc.

Marriott International

MCI Communications Corp

MD National Cap. Park and Planning Com.

Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority

Microstrategy

Mitre

Montgomery College

Montgomery General Hospital

MVM, Inc.

NASA

National Credit Union Administration

National Geographic Society

National Institute of Standards & Technology

National Labor Relations Board

National Reconnaissance Office

National Science Foundation

Navy Federal Credit Union

NCI Information Systems, Inc.

Nextel

Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC)

Northrop Grumman IT

**Nuclear Regulatory Commission** 

Office of Personnel Management

Orbital Sciences Corp

Overseas Private Investment Corporation

PEPCO

PG Hospital Center

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Primus Telecommunications Group

Providence Hospital

**Qwest Communications** 

Raytheon

**Red Cross Biomedical Services** 

Reston Hospital Center

Safeway - Eastern Division

Sallie Mae

Science Applications International Corp

Shady Grove Adv. Hosp.

Sibley Memorial Hospital

**Small Business Administration** 

Smithsonian Institution

Software AG

Sprint

**SRA** International

Suburban Hospital

Tetra Tech Inc.

The Washington Post Co.

**UNICCO** Government Services

University of Maryland

**US** Airways

USDA

Verisign

Verizon

Virginia Hospital Center Arlington

Washington Adventist Hospital

Washington Gas

Washington Hospital Center

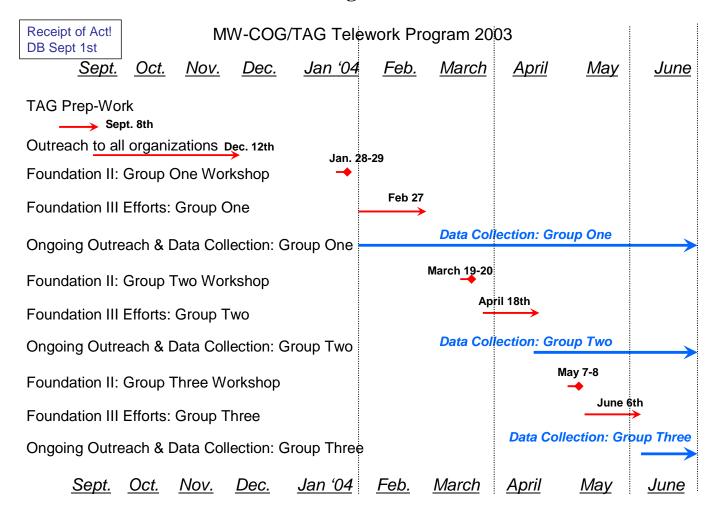
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William A. Hazel, Inc

**XO Communications** 

## **Attachment E: Original Schedule**



## Attachment F: TAG Outreach Plan

## TAG Prep-Work

- Team selection, analysis and roles
- >TAG/MWCOG coordination and collaboration.
- ➤Team training
- Define TAG team's outcomes/concerns
- ▶ Define MWCOG's outcomes/concerns
- Design client contact conversation
- ➤ Develop budget plan
- ➤ Receipt/Review Of Act! Database

August/September

## **Foundation I Outreach**

- ➤ Client analysis
  - Industry/Org type
  - Contact
  - Org. motivations
- ➤ Assign TAG telework liaisons to orgs. Conduct Initial assessment.
- Assessment of orgs.
- ➤ Initiate contact
  - Organizational info
  - Identify opportunities
  - Develop business case for telework
- ➤ Tier organizations: (G, B, S)
- ➤Identify any Foundation I add-on training needed
- Modify FII materials to fit MWCOG audience

Three Months

## **Foundation II Program**

- ➤ Sign up organizations to like groups to increase collaboration
  - Gold/Bronze/Silver Tier
  - Government or private
  - Type of industry
- > Develop metrics according to organizational goals
- ➤ Develop skill-sets, org. models and tools for individual programs
- ➤Track workshop participation and other administrative metrics
- Focus on leverageble tools and metrics across groups
- ➤ Design implementation, growth, and sustainability plans

One Month

## **Foundation III Efforts**

- Provide support to Foundation II participants for program implementation
- Ensure metric and data collection methods are implemented, maintained, and that the data is collected.
- Begin collection of data
  - MW-COG metrics and data
  - Additional TAG metrics
  - Organizational specific metrics
- ➤ Identify and deliver, or find other vendors to provide additional training or tools, (ex:)
  - Job assessments
  - Technical assessments
  - Management training
  - Bottom-line metric and measurement tools and techniques.
  - In-house training tools.
  - Etc.

## **Ongoing Outreach Efforts**

- ➤ Continued follow-up:
  - Identify early barriers and potential breakdowns
  - Identify successes
  - Ensure skill-sets and tools are being used
- ➤ Promote the growth programs
  - Growth of existing program
  - New job types and/or regions
- ➤ Ongoing TAG Program Evaluations
  - TAG's FI and FII programs
  - Organizational metrics and data types and collection techniques
  - Communication and collaboration between TAG and MW-COG

Additional One Month Ongoing -Outreach Efforts

## **Attachment G: Sample Metrics**

## **Sample Metrics**

#### **Customers**

- **Support Centers** 
  - o Number of calls answered
  - o Customers average time on hold
  - o Number of escalations
- Numbers or percentage of repeat customers
- Number of customers referred to you by other customers
- Customer satisfaction survey

## **Employee Retention and Recruiting**

- Turnover percentage
- Reasons for departure, by type
- Number of applicants for vacancies
- Number of open positions
- Readership of an advertisement

## **Operations and Manufacturing**

- Overall production
- Number of new product/idea generation
- Overhead savings
  - Office support
  - o Parking (available space, location, time to get to office)

#### **Output Measures**

- Number of units produced
- Number of items sold
- Dollar volume of sales / amount of commission
- Number of letters typed /documents written

## **Quality Measures**

- Number of errors / number of errors detected
- Number of policy renewals
- Number of complaints
- Rate of scrap, reworks or breakage
- Cost of spoiled or rejected work

#### Real-Estate

- A. Reduced need for office space (leases, utilities, maintenance, security)
- B. Office space flexibility

#### Banks

- 1. Cycle time, loan applications to approval
- 2. Rejection rate, by type, personal loan

## Healthcare, Hospital

- 2a) Patient care service levels
- 2a) Data entry productivity and error levels

Adapted, in part, from Cascio (1987).

## Formulas for Metrics

These formulas are approximate and based on national averages and accepted practice (Hewitt Associates, Harris Roth berg International).

\*\*\*It is always better to use numbers specific to your organization.\*\*\*

Number of Work Days per Year: 250 (50 weeks X 5 days per week) (This number assumes a 2-week vacation, and excludes holidays, personal time off.)

Overhead per Employee = 110% of salary

**Value of Benefits per Employee** = 25% to 35% of salary

**Turnover per Employee** = 100% (or more!)

**Daily Loss if Employee Not Working** = Salary + Benefits + Overhead / Work Days per Year (This is also the cost of "presentism".)

**Absenteeism**: # Absences x Daily Loss

## **Other Numbers You Might Need:**

- Levels/grades of employees (e.g., administration, management, sales)
- Average salary for an employee or group of employees
- Current cost of telework program
- Current utilization of your telework program (how many people are teleworking)

#### **Other Metrics Calculations**

- Compare cost of telework program to related initiatives
- Compare utilization of telework program to related initiatives
- Benchmark or compare your program's cost/utilization to that of other companies

## Some Creative Metrics from Other Types of Work/Life Programs

- Spikes in intranet usage on the web page describing the program, after an education or communication campaign
- 88% of the women who participated in a lactation program at Wells Fargo returned to work after having a baby
- One company calculated how an employee weight loss program saved them money. (This is a stretch...but it does quantify the ROI.) They asked the Weight Watchers counselor to provide them with the amount of weight lost by a group of employees, and then calculated the average weight lost per person (weight lost by group/# of people in group). Next, they estimated about what percentage of body weight that was for an "average" person (they assumed about 5 to 10% because that amount significantly reduces the risk for diabetes, high blood pressure, and heart disease). Then multiplied the body weight lost percentage by the monetary value of their health benefit to arrive at the amount of money the company saved by that person losing weight.

Percentage of body weight lost x annual cost of health benefit = \$ saved EX:  $5\% \times \$17,500 (35\% \text{ of } \$50,000) = \$875 \text{ saved in health related costs.}$ 

## **Sources for National & Industry Data**

- U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Household Data, Annual Average and more
- CCH Commercial Clearing House Unscheduled Absence Survey
- Society of Human Resource Management Survey Retention Practices Survey
- The MetLife Study of Employer Costs for Working Caregivers
- Nobscott Corporation: Retention Management and Metrics

## **Attachment H: TAG Foundation II Training Modules**

## Concept:

F2 training encompasses 6 discrete modules (aka courses) covering a variety of topic areas related to implementing effective telework programs. Modules are stand alone and interactive. designed to enable participants to develop a feasible action plan pertaining to the topic at hand. A participant may take only those modules relevant to his/her needs, or for a comprehensive program, s/he may take all 6 modules.

## Target Audience:

The F2 courses appeal to and are relevant for a broad audience. In all cases, the modules are targeted to individuals who will be responsible for implementing or expanding all or some aspect of a telework program. However, the modules are developed to be useful regardless of the participant's job title or background. Thus, the modules are appropriate for all types of professionals, whether a CEO, HR Director, Senior Manager, or Telework Coordinator.

#### Target Industry:

F2 courses are relevant to companies from all types of industries and sectors. Federal agencies, private sector companies, and non-profits alike will find the courses informative. When possible, participants from similar backgrounds will be grouped together to facilitate learning outcomes. This assimilation can occur in two main ways: 1) F2 courses can be delivered to a group of participants from a particular company, industry, or background; or 2) within a particular course, the facilitator will group participants from similar backgrounds for inclass activities and discussions.

## **Delivery Format**

Because each of the F2 modules is a discrete course covering a specific topic area, the modules are of varying lengths. A facilitator leads each course.

## **Common Themes**

Some of the challenges that must be faced when implementing a telework program are unrelated to a particular topic. Instead, these sorts of "themes" arise within many different aspects of telework implementation. These themes include:

- The Politics of Telework
- Overcoming Management Resistance
- **Embracing Change**

In addition to the unique content covered in the F2 modules, each F2 course addresses these themes within the context of the course's specific topic area.

The F2 modules will be created in the following order:

Module	Content	Learning Objective	Take Away Action Plan
Program Strategy & Outcomes	<ul> <li>Organizational readiness</li> <li>Hurdles</li> <li>Communication Plan</li> <li>Metrics</li> <li>Measurements</li> </ul>	How to craft the organization's "message" around teleworking     How to determine the cost model for telework     How to determine organization's strengths and barriers to telework	Strategic plan for implementing or expanding a telework program     Tactics for dealing with resistance to change and "selling" your program
2. Preparation of Participants	<ul> <li>Job, teleworker, and management assessments</li> <li>Teleworker, management, and workgroup training</li> <li>Ongoing communication plan</li> </ul>	How to identify telework appropriate jobs and tasks     How to identify gaps in workforce knowledge and skills	<ul> <li>Step by step process for assessing job and employee suitability for telework</li> <li>Action plan to address skill and knowledge gaps</li> </ul>
3. Performance Measurements	Common concerns and challenges of telework managers     New performance criteria for teleworkers, managers, and workgroups     Link individual and team performance to bottom line metrics	How to overcome managers' resistance tot telework     How to move from "eye spy" supervision to results oriented performance management     How to align individual and team goals with organizational goals	Script for overcoming managers' resistance     Standardized process for establishing fair and effective performance criteria     Standardized process for linking individual and team goals with bottom-line ROI
4. Preparation of Technology	<ul><li>Organization needs</li><li>Teleworker needs</li><li>Workgroup needs</li></ul>	<ul> <li>How to assess technical readiness for telework</li> <li>How to define technology requirements</li> <li>How to establish equipment standards</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Guidelines addressing technology issues</li> <li>Plan for deploying technology to teleworkers</li> <li>Statement of security assurance</li> </ul>
5. Policy Development	<ul> <li>Teleworker guidelines and contracts</li> <li>Remote worksite guidelines</li> <li>Organizational policies</li> </ul>	Understanding of the issues telework policies should cover     How to create telework agreements and work protocols     Understanding of legal and compliance issues surrounding telework	<ul> <li>Identification of relevant policy components and verbiage</li> <li>Develop templates for telework policy and employee telework agreement</li> <li>Develop guidelines for work protocols and workplace health &amp; safety</li> </ul>
6. Program Evaluation	<ul> <li>Assessment of existing program</li> <li>New job types</li> <li>New organizations</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>How to measure telework program outcomes</li> <li>How to identify problems with the program and make adjustments</li> <li>How to expand a program with new jobs, new locations, etc.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Develop formulas for measuring program goals</li> <li>Develop a tracking system for ongoing measurement of program outcomes</li> <li>Create plan for expanding telework program</li> </ul>

## **Attachment I: Managers' Product Lines**

## Telecommuting Advantage Group - Products for Managers

The workplace has shifted from the 20<sup>th</sup> century post-industrial focus on "doing what you're told and do it right" to the mobile, knowledge-based world of the 21st century, where the mantra could very well be "figure out the right thing to do and do it wherever you are, now!" Organizations with the culture, infrastructure and skill sets to match this reality will lead their industries and thrill their customers. Those that do not will find themselves forever catching up.

TAG offers three products to assist managers in fulfilling their unique role in this equation:

- A Remote Manager's Orientation
- FlexWork Nuts & Bolts for Remote Managers
- Manager's Productivity Tool-Kit

## A Remote Manager's Orientation

This 2-hour session will make managers aware that remote work is a practical opportunity to enhance productivity and customer satisfaction. Managers' participation in this experience will cultivate their appetites for the benefits available from remote work – and for the learning required. We will discuss how metrics and productivity measures are created and tracked in today's work environment, and will unveil a simple yet powerful method for creating practical, traceable productivity measures. This method can be used regardless of the physical location of employees, colleagues and customers. We will also educate managers on what tools and processes will be in place to support their efforts.

\*Client's program details presented by the client, with content design guided by TAG.

### FlexWork Nuts & Bolts for Mangers

This 4-hour session will help managers understand their organization's particular flexwork program, and how to apply the various flexible options available. It will inform participants how to set-up work agreements and processes to effectively maintain a remote workgroup arrangement. Managers will understand how to create FlexWork Agreements with employees that are built on task suitability, effective methods for measuring performance, specific productivity metrics, and identify and address remote team breakdowns. Managers will also be able to guide employees as they "build their case" for participating in the Flexwork program in a way that benefits both the employee and the organization.

# **Attachment J: Sample Survey Feedback**



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Is there anything we covered today that you want to hear more about?
Are there other subjects that would benefit you? Please specify.
What else can you tell us that will help us add more value?
Would you recommend this session to a colleague? (Please circle your answer.)
No



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Thanks so much for giving us the honofit of vour feedback!

# **Attachment K: Final ACT! Database**

#### Company

A T & T Government Solutions

AAA Mid-Atlantic

AAI Corp

**ABS Capital Management** 

Acacia Life Insurance Co

Accenture

Accenture Consulting

ACS Government Solutions, Inc.

Acterna Corp

Advance Auto Parts Inc

Adventist Healthcare

Aegon Insurance

Aerojet

**AES Corp** 

Agency for International Development

Agilent Technologies

AHL Svc Inc

Ahold USA Inc

Airline Tariff

Airpax Corporation

Ajilon Services Inc

Alban Tractor Co

Albemarle Corp

Alfa Laval Inc

Allegheny Energy Inc

Allegis Group Inc

Allied Defense Group Inc

Alston & Bird LLP

America On Line, Inc.

America Online Inc

American Diabetes Assn

American Institute Of Physics

American Management Systems (AMS)

American Management Systs Inc

American Of Martinsville

American Red Cross of the National Capital

American Safety Razor Co

American University

American Woodmark Corp

Amerigroup Corp

Ameritel

AMF Bowling Worldwide Inc

Ammar's Inc

AMSEC Corp

**Analex Corp** 

Ander Commercial Photography

Angus I Hines Inc

Anne Arundel Medical Ctr

Anteon Corp

Anteon International Corp

Anthem Southeast Inc

Antietam Health Svc Inc

**AOL Time Warner** 

Applied Creative Technologies, Inc

ARC Of The United States

Arinc Inc

Arlington County Government

Arlington Public Schools

Arnold & Porter

Asbury Methodist Village

Ascend One Corporation

**Associated General Contractors** 

Association-Retarded Citizens

AT&T Government Solutions

AT&T Telecommunications Public Relations

Atlantic Coast Airline/United Express

Atlantic Coast Airlines Hldngs

AUGUSTA Medical Ctr

Automatic Data Processing (ADP)

Avalon Bay Communities Inc

BB&T

B Frank Joy LLC

Bacova Guild LTD

**BAE Systems** 

BAE Systems North America, Inc.

Baltimore Aircoil Co

Banner Aerospace Inc

Barcelo Crestline Corp

**Basell NORTH America** 

Bassett Furniture Industries

Bearing Point Inc

**Bechtel Corp** 

Bechtel Infrastructure Corporation

Bell South Communication Systs

Berryville Graphics

Bio Reliance Corp

Birdsong Corp

Black & Decker Corp

Blaine Convention Svc Inc

Boardwalk Fries

Boat Us

Bon Secours Health System Inc

Bon Secours Hospital

Booz Allen & Hamilton

**Boston Properties** 

**Bowl America Inc** 

Bp Solar Intl LLC

Branch Group Inc

Brenco Inc

Brink's Co

Bristol Compressors Inc

**BTG** 

**Buffalo Air Handling** 

BWX Technologies Inc

C-Cubed Corporation

**CACI** International Inc

Cadmus Communications Corp

Cadmus Specialty Publications

Cafritz Company

Cambridge Inc

Camellia Food Stores Inc

Canon Virginia Inc

Capital One Financial

Capital One Financial Corp

Car Max Inc

Care First BCBS

Carefirst Blue Cross Blue Shld

Carilion Health Systems

Carilton Roanoke Community

Carpenter Co

Carter Machinery Co Inc

Catholic Charities

Catholic University of America

Catonsville Community College

Cavalier Telephone Co

Celera Genomics Group

Centennial One Inc

Centra Health

Central Intelligence Agency

Charles E Smith Rsdntl Realty

Chesapeake Bay Restaurant Grp

Chesapeake Corp

Chevy Chase Bank

Chevy Chase Bank

Chevy Chase Bank FSB

Chevy Chase Bank

CHI Ctr

Childrens Hospital

Chimes Inc

Chindex International Inc

Chippenham Hospital

Choice Hotels

Choice Hotels Intl Inc

**CHRISTIAN Broadcasting Network** 

CIENA Corp

Cintas

Circuit City Stores Inc

Cisco Systems

Citi Financial

City of Alexandria

City of Alexandria Public Schools

Clark Construction Group

Clark Construction Group Inc

Clark Enterprises Inc

Clear Channel Communications

Clinch Valley Medical Ctr

**CNA Insurance** 

Co Star Group Inc

Coastal Coal Co LLC

Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc.

College Of Southern MD

Colonial Mechanical Corp

Colonial Williamsburg

Columbia Gas Transmission Corp

Comcast

Comdial Corp

Commerce One / Aquilent

Commodity Futures Trading Commission

Commonwealth Of Virginia

Compu Dyne Corp

Computer Sciences Corp

Constellation Energy Group Inc

Cornerstone Realty Income Trst

Country Cookin'

Coventry Health Care Inc

CP Films Inc

Crosby Corp

Crown Central Petroleum Corp

Crownsville Hospital Ctr

Cruise INTERNATIONAL-Ci Ctr

Crutchfield Corp

Culpeper Regional Hospital

Cushman Wakefield (Downtown)

Daily Press Inc

Dan River Inc

Danville Regional Health SYST

DDD Co

**DDD** Company

Deloitte & Touche

Deltek Systems Inc

Department of Transportation

Department of Commerce

Department of Defense

Department of Energy

Department of Housing and Urban Develop...

Department of Justice

Department of Labor

Department of State

Department of the Interior

Department of the Interior

Dewberry & Davis

**Dewberry Companies** 

Diamond Comic Distributors Inc

Digex Inc

Digital Net Holdings Inc

**Dimensions Health Corporation** 

Dimon Inc

**Discovery Communications Inc** 

District Photo Inc

**DOCTORS Community Hospital** 

Dollar Tree Stores Inc

Dominion Resources Inc

Dominion Virginia Power

**Dunbar Companies** 

**DURATEK Inc** 

**Duron Inc** 

EG&GTechnical Svc Inc

E Plus Inc

Earl Industries LLC

Eastern State Hospital

Eastern Va Medical School

Electronic Warfare Assoc Inc

**Environmental Protection Agency** 

**Environmental Protection Agency** 

Equals Three Communications, Inc.

Ernst and Young

Essex Community College

Estes Express Lines

Ethyl Corp

**Export Import Bank** 

Exxon Mobil Corporation

Exxon Mobil Fuels Marketing Co

F & I Inc

F & M Bancorp

F Edward Hebert School Of Med

Fairfax Hospital

Fannie Mae

Farm Fresh Inc

Fas Mart Convenience Stores

Fauquier Hospital

Federal Deposit Insurance Corp

Federal Emergency Management Agency

Federal Labor Relations Agency

Federal Mogul

Federal Reserve Bank

Ferguson Enterprises Inc

FHC Health Systems

First Colony Life Insurance Co

First Community Bancshares Inc

First Health Svc Corp

Food Country USA

Framatome Anp Inc

Freddie Mac

Frederick Community College

Frederick Memorial Hospital

Freestate Electrical Constr Co

Fti Consulting Inc

**Gallaudet University** 

Gannett Co Inc

**GE Fanuc Automation** 

GE Financial Assurance Hldgs

**GE** Insurance

**GEICO Direct** 

General Dynamics Advanced Info

General Dynamics Corp

General Foam Plastics

General Physics Corp

General Services Administration

General Services Administration

GenVec, Inc.

George Mason University

George Mason University

George Washington University Hospital

Georgetown University

Georgetown University Hospital

Giant Food Inc

Gilford Corp

GLOBAL Exchange Svc Inc

Good Samaritan Hospital

Goodwill Industries Intl Inc

Goucher College

Governor's Office

**Grand Home Furnishings** 

Great Atlantic Management Co

Greater Baltimore Medical Ctr

Greater Washington Urban League

Greenway Crane Svc

Gtsi Corp

**Guest Services** 

**Guest Services Inc** 

Hamilton Beach Proctor-Silex

Hanger Orthopedic Group Inc

Hanover Direct Inc

Harbor Hospital Ctr

Haynes Furniture Co

Hebrew Home Of Greater WA

Hecht's & Strawbridge's

**Hedwin Corp** 

Henrico Doctor's Hospital

Henrico Doctor's Hospital

Hilb Rogal & Hamilton Co

Hill Phoenix Inc

**HMS Host Corp** 

Holy Cross Hospital

Holy Cross Hospital

Holy Cross Hospital

Home Call Inc

Homestead

Honeywell Performance Fibers

Honeywell Technology Solutions

Hooker Furniture Corp

Howard County General Hospital

Howard Hughes Medical Inst

Howard Shocky & Sons Inc

**Howard University** 

Howard University Hospital

HUD

**Hughes Network Systems** 

**Hughes Network Systems** 

Human Genome Sciences Inc

Human Genome Sciences, Inc.

**Hunton & Williams** 

**IBM** 

ICF Consulting

Kaiser International Inc

**IKEA NA Services** 

**IMO Industries Inc** 

INOVA Alexandria Hospital

INOVA Fair Oaks Hospital

INOVA Fairfax Hospital

Inova Health System

**INSTITUTE** For Defense Analyses

Institute for Defense Analysis

Interbake Foods Inc

International Paper Co

International Trade Commission

Interstate Hotels & Resorts

ITT Defense & Electronics Inc

Jewell Smokeless Coal

John J Wasilewski Inc

John Randolph Medical Ctr

Johns Hopkins Bayview Med Ctr

Johns Hopkins Medicine

Johnston Memorial Hospital

Jos A Bank Clothiers Inc

K-Va-T Food Stores Inc

Kaiser Foundation Health Plan

Kaiser Permanente

Kernan Hospital

Klein's Super Markets

Klockner Capital Corp

Kpmg Peat Marwick Llp

Lafarge North America Inc

Lafarge Redland Genstar

Land America Financial Group

Landmark Communications Inc

Lankford Sysco Food Svc LLC

Laurel Regional Hospital

LCC International Inc

Legg Mason Inc

Levindale Hebrew Geriatric Ctr

Lewis-Gale Medical Ctr

Lexis-Nexis

Liebherr Mining Equipment Co

LifeWork Strategies

Lockheed Martin

Logistics Management

Loiederman Soltesz Associates

Long & Foster Real Estate Inc

Longwood Unversity

Loudoun Healthcare, Inc

Loudoun Hospital Ctr

M & T Bank

M C Dean Inc

MACRO Internationa

Magellan Health Svc Inc

Magruder's Inc

Man Tech Intl Corp

Manugistics Group Inc

Marley Mouldings Inc

Marquip Ward United

Marriott International

Mars Super Markets Inc

Martha Jefferson Hospital

Maryland General Hospital

Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning...

Marymount University

Masters Inc

Mattress Discounters Corp

Maximus Inc

Mc McCormick & Co Inc

Mc Guire Woods LLP

Mc Kesson Corp

MCI Communications Corp

MCI Inc

MD National Cap. Park and Planning Com

Med Immune Inc

Medical Temporaries Inc

Memorial Hospital

Memorial Hospital

Mental Health Association of Montgomery C...

Merant

Mercantile Bankshares Corp

Merchant's Tire & Auto Ctr

Mercy Medical Ctr

Metrocall Holdings Inc

Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority

Micro Strategy Inc

Micros Systems Inc

Microstrategy

Mid Atlantic Medical Svc Inc

Mid-Mountain Foods Inc

Middle River Aircraft Systems

Millennium Inorganic Chemicals

Mills Corp

Mitre

Mitre Corp Library

Mitretek Systems

Mona Electric Group Inc

Montgomery College

Montgomery General Hospital

Moog Components Group

Moore's Lumber & Bldg Supl Inc

Murry's Inc

MVM, Inc.

MW Manufacturers Inc

NASA

NASD

National Credit Union Administration

National Fruit Product Co

National Geographic Society

National Institute of Standards & Technology

National Institutes of Health

National Labor Relations Board

National Naval Medical Ctr

National Reconnaissance Office

National Rifle Assn

National Rural Electric Co-Op

National Science Foundation

Nationwide Homes

Nature Conservancy

Navy Federal Credit Union

NCI Information Systems Inc

Neighbor Care Inc

Nevamar

**Nextel Communications Inc** 

NII Holdings Inc

Noland Co

Norfolk Southern Corp

North Arundel Hospital

Northern Virginia CENTER-Mri

Northern Virginia Comm Hospital

Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC)

Northrop Grumman Elect Systems

Northrop Grumman Info Tech

Northrop Grumman Mission Systs

Northrop Grumman Oceanic Div

Northrop Grumman IT

Norton Community Hospital

NTELOS Inc

**Nuclear Regulatory Commission** 

**NVR Inc** 

OAO Technology Solutions Inc

Obici Hospital

Obisi Health System

Octagon Worldwide Inc

Office of Personnel Management

Old Dominion University

Omega World Travel Inc

On-Site Sourcing Inc

Orbital Sciences Corp

Organization

Overseas Private Investment Corporation

Owens & Minor Inc

Parts Depot Inc

PEC Solutions Inc

Pentagon Federal Credit Union

PEPCO

Performance Food Group Co

Perkin Elmer Fluid Sciences

PG Hospital Center

PHH Arval

Phillips Crab House

Phoenix Color Corp

Poole & Kent Organization

Portfolio Recovery Assoc Inc

Potomac Hospital

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Prime Retail Inc

Primus Telecommunications Grp

Prince George's Hospital Ctr

Prince William Hospital

Providence Hospital

Prudential Carruthers Realtors

Public Broadcasting Svc

**Publishers Circulation Inc** 

Quest Diagnostics Inc

**Qwest Communications** 

Radford University

Radio One Inc

Ranstad North America

Raytheon

Raytheon Technical Svc Co LLC

**RBX Corp** 

Red Coats Inc

Red Cross Biomedical Services

Resource Consultants Inc

Reston Hospital Center

Retreat Hospital

Rexel Branch Electric Supply

Richfield Retirement Community

Richfield Retirement Community

Richmond Times Dispatch

Ritz Camera Ctr

Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co

Roanoke Electric Steel Corp

Roanoke Times

Rockingham Memorial Hospital

Rouse Co

**Rowe Companies** 

RWD Technologies Inc

S&K Famous Brands Inc

Safeway - Eastern Division

SAIC

Sallie Mae

Sallie Mae

Salvation Army

Sandler Systems Inc

Sandy Spring Bancorp Inc

Saxon Capital Inc

Schewel Furniture Co Inc

Science Applications International Corp

Scotsman Holdings Inc

Scott & Stringfellow Inc

Sentara Bayside Hospital

Sentara Health Plans

Sentara Norfolk General Hosp

Sentara Va Beach General Hosp

Service Partners LLC

Shady Grove Adv. Hosp.

Shady Grove Adventist Hospital

Sheridan Group Inc

Sherwood Brands Inc

Shoppers Food Warehouse

Shore Memorial Hospital

SI International Inc

Sibley Memorial Hospital

Silver Diner Inc

Sinai Physician Referral

Sinclair Broadcast Group Inc

SLM Corp

Small Business Administration

Smithfield Foods Inc

Smithfield Packing Co Inc

Smithsonian Institution

Sodexho Inc

Software AG

Software AG Inc

Southampton Memorial Hosp

Southern Maryland Hospital Ctr

Southern States Co-Op Inc

Southside Regional Medical Ctr

Southwestern Va Mental Inst

Spectera Inc

Sperry Marine

Spring Grove Hospital Ctr

Sprint

SRA Intl Inc

St Agnes Healthcare

St Joseph Medical Ctr

Startec Global Communications

Sternheimer Brothers Inc

Stihl Inc

Strayer Education Inc

Suburban Hospital

Sunrise Senior Living Inc

Supervalu

Sutton Place Gourmet

Swedish Match North America

Sweetheart Holdings Inc

Sylvan Learning Systems Inc

Sysco Food Svc Of Baltimore

T Rowe Price Group Inc

Talk America Holdings Inc

TASC Inc

Tel Ac Teleservices Group

Teligent Inc

TESSCO Technologies Inc

Tetra Tech Inc.

The Acacia Group

The Calvert Group

The Catholic University of America

The Chevy Chase Bank

The Container Store

The Gazette

The Humane Society of the United States

The Washington Post Co.

**Trader Publishing Company** 

Trans Healthcare Inc

Tredegar Corp

Tri Tech Laboratories

TRW Environmental Safety Systs

Twin County Regional Hospital

Ukrop's Super Markets Inc

UNICCO Government Services

Union Bankshares Corp

Union Hospital-Cecil County

Unisys Public Sector

United Defense Industries Inc

United States Marine Repair

United WAY Of America

Universal Corp

University Of Baltimore

University of Maryland

**US** Airways

US Central Intelligence Agency

US Defense Commissary Agency

US Defense Contract Audit Agcy

US Drug Enforcement Adm

US Food & Drug Adm

**US** Foodservice

US Marshals Svc

**US Nuclear Regulatory Comm** 

US Social Security Adm

US Veterans Medical Ctr

US Veterans Medical Ctr

USDA

USDA

Usec Inc

**UVA Health Systems** 

Value Options Inc

Vance International

Vastera Inc

Vaughan-Bassett Furniture Co

VCU Health System

Verisign

Verizon

Vertis Inc

Vie De France Yamazaki Inc

Virginia Hospital Center Arlington

Visiting Nurse Assn

W R Grace & Co

Wachovia Securities Inc

Washington Adventist Hospital

Washington County Hospital

Washington Gas Co

Washington Hospital Center

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Autho...

Washington Post

Wayn-Tex

Web Methods Inc

WEBB Furniture Enterprise Corp

Westab Industries

Westat, Inc.

Westminster Canterbury

Whiting-Turner Contracting Co

William A. Hazel, Inc

WKI Holding Co Inc

Wolf Trap Foundation

X O Communications Inc

Zurich North America

### Attachment L: CD Mailer

Project: Telework CD Mailer

From: Joint Venture Marketing and Communication 301-577-0887 5/20/03 FINAL Draft 4

OPEN. MUSIC UNDER THROUGHOUT

VO:

Beauty shot of highway with hills, grass, blue sky. Text over: Commuter Connections has assistance for **your** telework program.

Commuter Connections at The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments is providing free support to help business leaders like you create effective telecommuting programs in their companies.

Text over:

Benefits for your organization, your employees, your community.

Telecommuting—or telework—delivers amazing benefits to your organization, your staff and the greater business community.

Text over: The time is now.

And with Commuter Connections free support, there's never been a better time to put these benefits to work for you.

BENEFITS FOR YOU

Text on screen: Benefits for your business

Shot of employee with stack of reports. Text over: Higher productivity

Shot of office space, equipment. Text over: Lower costs

Shot of recruiter and new hire shaking hands. Text over: Better recruiting and retention Telecommuting delivers:

- **Higher productivity**—Telecommuters' productivity doesn't fall. It actually rises—even doubles in some cases.
- Lower operating costs—You'll cut your outlays for office space, overhead and more.
- More success in hiring and keeping great staff. You'll broaden your talent base—and keep your employees satisfied.
- Increased loyalty and enthusiasm. Your people will have more time to be creative and happy on the job.

Shot of employees laughing in

meeting. Text over:

More loyalty and enthusiasm

Shot of employee entering front door of office. Text over: Less absenteeism and tardiness

Shot of big group of employees smiling. Text over: Image boost

Shot of man at computer working from home.

Logos or names over: *AMEX* AT&T, Ciscom Discovery Channel, IBM, Kaiser Permanente, Nortel, Washington Mutual, KPMG, NIH

Text on screen:

# Large, small and inbetween

Quick montage of headshots of five or six diverse employees

Shot of 40-something African American woman Text over: Benefits for your employees

- Less stress
- Better home/work balance
- Lower costs

• Less absenteeism and tardiness. Your employees will have the flexibility they need to work more effectively.

A better public image. You'll position your company as innovative and in touch with today's challenges

JOIN THE LEADERS

Telecommuting isn't a fringe idea. Thousands of leading companies, and more than 400,000 employees in our area alone are already reaping the benefits of telecommuting.

Join business leaders like AMEX, AT&T, Cisco, the Discovery Channel, Kaiser Permanente, Washington Mutual, KPMG, NIH and thousands more.

And because telecommuting programs don't require big investments, it's right for smaller companies too.

BENEFITS FOR YOUR EMPLOYEES

Telecommuting actually helps your employees be more productive and content—and that's a benefit you can take to the bottom-line.

Woman in VO:

I telecommute from home two days a week. That's four hours of driving I can devote to my family. I save money, too—on gas, dry-cleaning—even lunches.

My stress level is down. My health and family life are more in balance—and I actually get more work done!

VO:

We're all part of a community. And telecommuting is a win-

• Customized work environment win-win that reaches far beyond you and your employees to the entire community.

Shot of Washington DC skyline

Text over:

Benefits for your community

Everyone gets a boost with less traffic,

Shot of traffic helicopter. Text

over: Less traffic

Cleaner air.

Shot of air quality rating from newspaper. Text over: Cleaner air

and citizens with more time and energy to get involved.

Shot of group building Habitat for

Humanity house. Text over: More community involvement MEET THE CHALLENGE TODAY

The goal for our area is to add 100,000 telecommuters in the REGION. And we're inviting business leaders like you to help meet the challenge.

Logo of Commuter Connections Text over: 100,000 employees

Commuter Connections will provide free professional consulting and training services to each participating company.

TAG logo

Commuter Connections will work with you to build a customized telecommuting program that fits your organization. They'll look closely at your culture, employees, managers and job descriptions to help you set priorities and guide implementation.

Beauty shot of highway with hills, grass, blue sky. Text over:

- Customized program
- Comprehensive analysis
- Implementation support
- Policies and processes
- Performance measures
- Staff training

We're here to help you harness the power of telecommuting.

They'll help you create policies and processes, implement performance measures and train your staff—at no cost to

To get started, call us today at 1-800-745-RIDE and schedule a 30-minute presentation.

Results!

There's no obligation—just free consulting services that will help you turn telework into a competitive advantage for your business.

Text over: Call us today at 1-800-745-RIDE

MUSIC UP AND OUT

you.

# **Attachment M: CD-ROM Letter**

DRAFT 5 — 5/24/04
Dear
Growing traffic congestion in the Washington DC metropolitan area impacts your business on a daily basis. This congestion affects employee commute times, business productivity, public health, and even homeland security.
<b>With your help,</b> The Commuter Connections Telework program at the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments is seeking to remove more than 100,000 cars from the daily rush hour by 2005.
This is an ambitious goal, but with your support, and the support of other business leaders in organizations such as the Greater Washington Board of Trade, KPMG, Northrop Grumman, Verizon Wireless, the City of Alexandria, and the National Institutes of Health, we can make a difference for our region.
Infrastructure for the near future may not be built, but Telework is available today. Commuter Connections is offering free and comprehensive <b>professional consulting services</b> for your organization in conjunction with our local jurisdiction to explore and institute Telework, or expand your current Telework program.
This is a great opportunity to gain valuable services while helping the region reduce congestion, pollution and provide a safer, more productive place to work.
The enclosed CD gives you all of the details in a brief, two-minute overview. Please watch it and call us at <b>1-800-745-RIDE</b> to schedule a 30-minute introductory meeting and begin to harness the power of telework for the success of your business and our region today.
Thank you,