Facts on the Stations ‘Deep Cleaning’ Pilot Program

The Union has agreed to a Pilot Program with the Transit Authority that allows the temporary use of contractors with special equipment for the “deep cleaning” of a limited number of stations. The Authority agreed to strong language that preserves this work as the “traditional and exclusive” work of TWU moving forward.

President Tony Utano, Vice President Lynwood Whichard and Division Chair Robert Kelley spent numerous hours negotiating this agreement to insure that long term benefits far outweigh any short term negatives. In the end, the agreement ensures there will be more cleaning work and our members will benefit from this for the foreseeable future.

The agreement on the Pilot Program does the following:

• Ensures that the Deep Cleaning work, once the Pilot Program is completed, reverts to the traditional and exclusive work of Local 100.

• TWU cleaners will continue to perform routine cleaning of the subway stations. The Authority recognizes that as the traditional and exclusive work of the union.

• **During the Pilot Program, two (2) Local 100 Station Cleaners will be on site to observe while the contractors perform deep cleaning. This is being done in anticipation of the station cleaners taking over the work after the pilot is over.**

• Once the deep cleaning is done, there will be a baseline of cleanliness that TWU cleaners in stations department will maintain. The union will be part of all means and methods used during the pilot. Also all products and equipment used will be reviewed by safety to ensure that they meet environmental standards and applicable law.

• During the deep cleaning pilot, there will be a union presence to address all concerns.

• This pilot agreement preserves our cleaning work into the future.

*Your jobs are not being taken!*