To: Chairman Nohe and the VRE Operations Board

From: Doug Allen

Date: October 19, 2018

Re: Draft VRE 2019 Legislative Agenda

Members of the Legislative Committee and staff will update the VRE Operations Board on the status of the attached Draft 2019 Legislative Agenda.

Prior to the start of the Virginia General Assembly session in Richmond, the VRE Operations Board formulates and recommends to the Commissions its priorities to better communicate and influence the actions of the Governor’s Administration and the General Assembly. This program will serve as guidance for staff and the contracted legislation liaison during the legislative session.

In addition, the Legislative Agenda includes Federal Legislative and Regulatory issues that are relevant to transit and commuter rail in the U.S., and VRE specifically. Throughout the year, staff and our contracted Federal Relations consultants will work with the U.S. Department of Transportation and its Agencies, our U.S. Congressional delegation, relevant U.S. Congressional Committees, and others to educate them on these issues and their potential impacts to VRE.

The VRE Operations Board will be asked to recommend the Legislative Agenda to the Commissions at its November 2018 meeting. Both NVTC and PRTC are scheduled to act on their respective Legislative Agendas, as well as VRE’s, at their December meetings.