AMTRAK CONTRACTING OFFICER PLEADS GUILTY IN \$7.6M BRIBERY SCHEME

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PHILADELPHIA – A former Amtrak employee pleaded guilty to one count of federal program bribery April 19, 2018, in U.S. District Court.

According to court documents, Timothy Miller—a former Lead Contract Administrator with Amtrak responsible for procuring equipment and services and managing the account for diesel and locomotive seat-cushion vendors—steered four fleet maintenance contracts worth more than \$7.6 million to a single vendor in exchange for approximately \$20,000 in bribes, trips, and other items of value. Miller received the payments through a sham consulting company he created in coordination with two executives from the vendor to conceal his relationship with them.

If convicted, Miller could face a maximum punishment of 10 years in prison, a \$250,000 fine, a \$100 special assessment, and three years of supervised release.

A cross-agency team of special agents from Amtrak's Office of Inspector General, the FBI, the U.S. Department of Transportation OIG, and the IRS conducted the investigation that resulted in the charge.

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