UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Criminal No. 13-

v.

: 18 U.S.C. §§ 981(a)(1)(C), 1951(a)

WILLIAM TALERICO : and § 2, and 28 U.S.C. § 2461.

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: INFORMATION

The defendant having waived in open court prosecution by Indictment, the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey charges:

- 1. Defendant WILLIAM TALERICO worked for New Jersey
 Transit in various capacities for over twenty-five years. From in
 or about 2000 until his retirement in or about October 2013, defendant
 WILLIAM TALERICO served as supervisor of stations responsible for
 overseeing the maintenance and custodial functions for certain New
 Jersey Transit facilities.
 - 2. At all times relevant to this Information:
 - a. New Jersey Transit ("NJT") was a state government agency, administering New Jersey's public transportation service.
 - b. An individual owned and operated a Marlboro, New Jersey company that sold, among other products, maintenance and cleaning supplies to NJT (the "Maintenance Owner").
 - c. Another individual owned and operated a Warren, New Jersey commercial maintenance and construction business that sold hardware, tools and accessories to NJT (the "Construction Owner").

- d. Another individual owned and operated a Beachwood Borough, New Jersey commercial cleaning company that provided cleaning and landscaping services for NJT (the "Cleaning Owner").
- e. There was a president (the "President") and a Vice President and Secretary (the "Vice President") of a powerwashing business, located in Toms River, New Jersey, that provided powerwashing and snow removal services for NJT.
- f. There was an employee of a landscape company in Bergen County, New Jersey (the "Landscape Employee") that provided landscaping services for NJT.
- g. There was a supervisor at NJT, who, at times, supervised defendant WILLIAM TALERICO (the "NJT Supervisor").
- 3. From in or about January 2006 to in or about April 2012, defendant WILLIAM TALERICO agreed to accept and accepted corrupt payments in cash, as well as through the receipt of items of value, from the Maintenance Owner, the Construction Owner, the Cleaning Owner, the President, the Vice President, and the Landscape Employee (collectively, the "NJT Vendors"). Talerico accepted all such payments at locations in New Jersey.
- 4. In exchange for these corrupt cash payments and other items of value, defendant WILLIAM TALERICO agreed to, and did, exercise official authority and influence to assist the NJT Vendors with securing work from NJT.
 - 5. In addition, defendant WILLIAM TALERICO acted as an

intermediary through which corrupt payments were channeled to the NJT Supervisor in exchange for the NJT Supervisor's exercise of official authority and influence to assist the President and other vendors with securing work from NJT.

6. Defendant WILLIAM TALERICO received and facilitated more than \$70,000, but not more than \$120,000, in corrupt payments of cash and items of value from the NJT Vendors and others to himself and the NJT supervisor to include:

Approx. Date	Approx. Payment	Location	Payor
August 9, 2011	4,000	Marlboro, NJ	Maint. Owner
October 26, 2011	\$2,500	Marlboro, NJ	Maint. Owner

7. From in or about January 2006 to in or about April 2012, in Essex and Ocean Counties, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, defendant

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did knowingly and willfully obstruct, delay, and affect interstate commerce by extortion under color of official right, and attempted so do to - that is, by corruptly agreeing to obtain, obtaining, and acting as a conduit for, money and other things of value paid by the NJT Vendors, with their consent, in exchange for his exercise of official authority and influence, as well as, on occasion, the NJT Supervisor's exercise of official authority and influence, to assist the NJT Vendors with securing work from NJT.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951(a) and Section 2.

FORFEITURE

As a result of committing the aforementioned offense in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951(a), charged in this Information, defendant WILLIAM TALERICO shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461, all property, real and personal, that constituted or was derived from proceeds traceable to the commission of the aforementioned offense, to include \$54,600.

If any of the above-described forfeitable property, as a result of any act or omission of defendant WILLIAM TALERICO:

- (1) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- (2) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
- (3) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court;
- (4) has been substantially diminished in value; or
- (5) has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of defendant WILLIAM TALERICO up to the value of the above forfeitable property.

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