TPAR Device Focus Group Monitoring – June 24, 2010

Preliminary Agenda and Anticipated Operational Procedures
Location: University of Minnesota - St. Paul Campus – CECC Building and Parking Area
NOTE: This session will be on the lower level in Room 83

PLEASE do not interfere or interrupt the focus group device review that may be occurring while you arrive at the facility!!!

9:00 am – 9:30 am  Check-in and refreshments are available

9:30 am – 10:00 am  Opening Introductions and Instructions for the Day

MONITORING of TPAR FOCUS GROUP INTERVIEWS:

10:00 am – 11:30 am  Via CCTV, the attendees will monitor the interviewing of the morning focus group. This focus group will consist of disabled pedestrians representing ambulatory and/or visual disabilities. The focus group will gather earlier in the morning to experience the demonstration area of TPAR devices. The attendees will be allowed to hold discussion within their room during the interviews, but will not be interacting with the focus group members. If a critical question needs to be asked of the focus group, it may be possible to send a note into the other room to introduce an additional question, but this will be discouraged.

11:30 am – 12:30 pm  Lunch - you may review the device demo area.

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm  Review the taped focus group interviews from the previous day. The focus group conducted on June 23rd will be taped for viewing at this session, but will be erased following the event for privacy reasons. The June 23rd Focus Group will consist of professional people who train disabled people to function with the disability. Highlights of this session will be presented by the interviewer (Harold Cook) in the afternoon session of the workshop on June 23rd, but this will be the full recorded session.

2:00 pm - 2:30 pm  Break – please do not interrupt the focus group at the demo area.

2:30 pm – 4:00 pm  Via CCTV, the attendees will monitor the interviewing of the afternoon focus group. This focus group will consist of disabled pedestrians representing deaf and/or deaf/blind disabilities. The focus group will gather for lunch and start their demo review shortly after 1:15. As in the morning, the attendees will monitor the interviews and be able to discuss what they hear during this session.

4:00 pm  adjourn  (devices may be removed after the 2:30 session starts)