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Mr. Earle F. Andrews
Member, West Virginia Board
of Regents
607 Silkes Street
Berkeley Springs, West Virginia 25411

Dear Mr. Andrews:

We have reviewed the applications of the West Virginia University Board of Regents for a capital grant under Section 3 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (the "Act"), as well as one for a R&D demonstration grant under Section 6 of the Act, in support of a one-year start-up operation of the Morgantown PRT system. We recognize your need to proceed with your contract with the Boeing Company. However, the implementation plan for the demonstration phase of the project is still under review. Final approval cannot take place until completion of this review.

This letter provides authorization for the Board to operate the Morgantown PRT system and to accumulate costs against such operation without prejudice to inclusion of funds committed thereby as project costs should the Federal grants be approved provided:

- (1) It is understood that this authorization carries no commitment or implication that the project will be approved for Federal assistance nor that items committed will be eligible for inclusion in the project.
- (2) All DOT procedural and contract requirements must be met in carrying out the project; and
- (3) It is understood that UMTA is in no way obligated to accept project line items identified in the application.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Patricelli
Administrator

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