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Subject: Louisville – Southern Indiana
Ohio River Bridges Project
Response to 3/9/2012 TARC Letter

Dear Mr. Barker:

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) and Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) appreciate the Transit Authority of River City (TARC) working with our agencies to make the Louisville-Southern Indiana Ohio River Bridges project a reality. As you are aware, a key component of the project is to provide enhanced bus service for the citizens of the metropolitan area that will assist in meeting the purpose of the project to improve cross river mobility. Your letter dated March 9, 2012 provides us an understanding of TARC's expectations for enhanced bus service.

As you may know, KYTC and INDOT are currently working to complete a Supplemental Final Environmental Impact Statement (SFEIS) and we are including language to address what enhanced bus service may consist of as part of the project commitments. It is our desire that the SFEIS be submitted to the FHWA on or before April 6, 2012, and to that end we propose that the stipulations below be included in the SFEIS. Final details and funding amounts will then be agreed upon by means of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to be developed between TARC, KYTC and INDOT.

Stipulations for inclusion in the SFEIS:

- KYTC and INDOT will provide funding not to exceed \$20 million for capital investments and public awareness programs related to enhanced bus service during the life of project construction. The funds will be used for:
 - Constructing and/or expanding park and ride facilities,
 - Purchasing buses and vans for express and shuttle bus service during construction,
 - Purchasing and rehabilitating additional facilities to accommodate the increased fleet,
 - Improving and consolidating existing bus stops and constructing new bus stops, and
 - Developing a public awareness and communications program, including advertising, using emerging technology to communicate with the public to encourage ridership, and informing low-income populations of the enhanced bus service options.

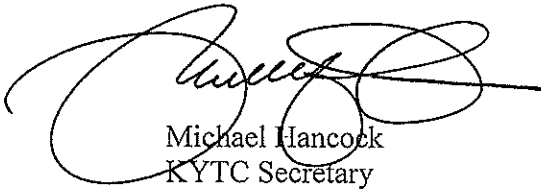


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- Funds will not be provided to cover operational expenses which will remain the responsibility of TARC.
- KYTC and INDOT will include as part of the project design the construction of turning radii and lane widths that meet design criteria for bus usage.
- KYTC and INDOT will coordinate with TARC at the end of the project construction to determine how the investment in transit equipment can continue to promote cross-river mobility.
- KYTC and INDOT will not provide for traffic signal priority beyond the current scope of the plans. The project does not impact the local street system directly. TARC should coordinate this local issue with Louisville Metro Government.
- KYTC and INDOT will enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with TARC prior to the start of construction on the Downtown Crossing portion of the project. The MOA will detail the final agreed upon funding amounts and years of expenditure to comply with the SFEIS for the project.

KYTC and INDOT look forward to continued cooperation and coordination with TARC as we begin to deliver a significant transportation project that will provide benefits that the Louisville and southern Indiana region deserves.

Sincerely,



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KYTC Secretary



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