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Mr. Mark Bathrick  
Public Transportation Administrator  
Office of Program Management  
Federal Transit Administration  
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Washington, DC 20590

Dear Mr. Bathrick:

I am proud to support the City of Nashua's application for Low or No Emissions Grant Program through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to replace two 2010 diesel trolleys with two new hybrid electric diesel buses, providing significant savings in emissions and efficiency. The City of Nashua is the second largest city in New Hampshire and operates the Nashua Transit System, which provides nearly 500,000 rides annually, traveling more than 600,000 road miles.

The Nashua Transit System currently has an aging bus fleet and is in the process of replacing most of its vehicles. This will be necessary to meet the state of good repair standards that are now required by the FTA's Transit Asset Management guidelines and comply with the City's goals to greatly reduce overall emissions and energy consumption from its municipal fleet. Additionally, Nashua is seeking Low or No Emissions funds to replace two trolleys. These vehicles have greatly exceeded their useful life and will continue to have rising energy consumption and maintenance costs. This grant would be instrumental in assisting the City to replace old diesel vehicles with new hybrid electric technology, reducing overall emissions and energy consumption from its municipal fleet.

I am pleased to support the City of Nashua's application for Low or No Emissions Grant Program, which would provide critical assistance to the local economy and environment, and will allow them to succeed in their public safety mission. Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, you may reach out to Robert Graham from my office. He can be reached at [Robert.Graham@mail.house.gov](mailto:Robert.Graham@mail.house.gov) or (603) 226-1002.

Sincerely,

Ann McLane Kuster  
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