

May 26, 2010

Ms. Deborah Ganaway  
Chairperson, Transit  
and Parking Commission  
Racine, Wisconsin

Dear Ms. Ganaway:

The Federal Transportation Administration has changed the procedures for the submittal of applications for replacement of Belle Urban System facilities and equipment including buses. Under the old procedure, an application was made to the State which they then presented to the Federal government. The new method is through a program entitled "State of Good Repair Bus and Bus Facilities Initiative. We were notified of this grant application in mid-May with an application deadline of June 18, 2010.

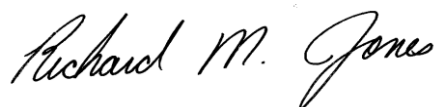
We have received a proposal to perform this task on a time-and-material basis from AECOM Technical Services, Inc. This proposal is in the not-to-exceed amount of \$11,500.00. Funding for this proposal is available in Account 105.600.5610, Professional Services.

Successful grant applications are those that demonstrate proficient responsiveness to the evaluation criteria. The use of a consultant will not only ensure the timely completion of the grant, but also to ensure that the most accurate and up-to-date information is presented to the reviewers, resulting in a successful application.

It is anticipated that the City of Racine will request the replacement of six (6) buses. If successful, the grant will pay 80% of the cost for these buses. The City, of course, will be responsible for the remaining 20%.

If you have any questions, either I or Tom Eeg will be happy to address them.

Sincerely,



Richard M. Jones  
Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer

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cc: Tom Eeg