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Mark Huffer General Manager Kansas City Area Transportation Authority 1200 E. 18th Street Kansas City, MO 64108

Re: KCATA/JCT/UGT CNG/Propane Buses and Facilities TIGER Application

Dear Mr. Huffer:

As the U.S. Department of Transportation considers applications for TIGER Discretionary Grants, the Mid-America Regional Council wishes to convey support for the CNG/Propane Buses and Facilities application by the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA), Johnson County Transit (JCT), and Unified Government Transit (UGT).

As you know, the KCATA/JCT/UGT CNG/Propane Buses and Facilities Project has been developed through joint planning efforts between the three transit agencies to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of our transit services, and has the potential to reduce the costs of transit service and improve the region's air quality.

The KCATA/JCT/UGT CNG/Propane Buses and Facilities Project is reflected in *Transportation Outlook 2040*, the region's long-range transportation plan, and as such demonstrates the support of the entire Kansas City region for this important investment.

The Mid-America Regional Council supports funding the KCATA/JCT/UGT CNG/Propane Buses and Facilities Project TIGER application and we look forward to working with you to make this important project a reality.

Sincerely,

David A. Warm Executive Director

cc: Alice Amrein, Johnson County Transit
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