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Mr. Peter M. Rogoff, Administrator
Federal Transit Administration
1990 K Street NW, Suite 510
Washington, DC 20006

Re: Section 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative Grant Program

The South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA) is pleased to submit and respectfully requests your consideration of this application for the Section 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative Grant Program for the Alternative Fuel Shuttle Bus Fleet Procurement Project.

In developing the grant proposal, SFRTA was guided by four basic principles:

- Contributing to the livability and environmental and energy sustainability of the South Florida Region;
- Optimal efficiency and condition of the SFRTA shuttle bus fleet;
- Continued connectivity of people between modes of transportation; and
- Implementation of the SFRTA shuttle bus fleet management plan, a collaborative effort between SFRTA and the Florida Department of Transportation.

This proposal from SFRTA will help both the South Florida Region and the nation emerge from the current economic recession positioned for strong and sustainable future growth. I am extremely pleased to note the strong and broad support for these proposals as evidenced by the letters of support from the Congressional Delegation; State Legislature; County and Municipal Officials; area Metropolitan Planning Organizations, the two Regional Planning Councils, and the newly formed Southeast Florida Regional Partnership, recipient of a Sustainable Communities Initiative grant in 2010.

SFRTA has given thoughtful consideration in preparing these proposals and we appreciate the consideration by the US Department of Transportation for federal funding.

Sincerely,

Joseph Giuliatti
Executive Director