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Grant Letter
United States Congress

The Illinois Delegation

Washington, D.C. 20510

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The Honorable Arthur E. Teele, Jr.
Administrator
Urban Mass Transportation Administration
Department of Transportation
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. Administrator:

We wish to express our strong support for the transportation research proposals of the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) that are presently under consideration by UMTA.

Located in the city with the second largest public transit system in the nation, the UIC's Urban Transportation Center is deeply involved with local transportation agencies. The university, which has the largest minority enrollment of any land grant institution in the nation, is establishing an integrative transportation program that would prepare students for careers in the transportation industry. The Urban Transportation Center has conducted a number of research and training programs for UMTA, as well as for other federal agencies.

It is our understanding that half of the approximate \$2 million appropriation for the UMTA research and training program is being expended to establish eight Transit Training Centers, and that remaining funds will be expended to award grants for research and training projects. If funds are not available to designate an additional Transit Training Center, we urge that other available funds be re-programmed to establish such a Center at the UIC. Further, we urge that you give high priority to the following grant proposals submitted by the UIC Urban Transportation Center:

- * Private Sector Alternative for Public Transportation;
- * Potential of Private Sector Commuter Clubs;
- * Analysis of 1980 Census/Microcomputer Applications; and
- * Guidelines for Cost Effective Transportation Services for the Elderly and Handicapped.

We deeply appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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