



December 9, 2011

Mr. Patrick Wojahn, Chairman
Access for All Committee Transportation Planning Board
777 N. Capitol Street NE
Washington, DC 20002

Re: AFA Recommendations for MetroAccess Cost Containment

Dear Chairman Wojahn:

During my tenure last year as Chair of the Access for All Committee (AFA), I submitted a letter to the Chair of the Board of Directors of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (Metro) offering recommendations on how to respond to budget concerns related to Metro's paratransit service. During budget discussions, receipt of the AFA letter was acknowledged and recommendations were weighed and some were implemented; however, Metro did not respond directly to the letter.

In a recent meeting of Metro's Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC), an AFA member inquired about the status of the recommendations. Since AFA now has direct representation on the AAC, I have asked the AAC to review the matter and respond. A letter from the AAC Chair is attached.

Sincerely,

Catherine Hudgins
Chair

C: Richard R. Sarles, General Manager and Chief Executive Officer
Christian T. Kent, Assistant General Manager, Access Services
Patrick Sheehan, Chairman, Accessibility Advisory Committee

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70, 71, 80, X2