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ROMILDA CROCAMO, ESQ.
County Manager

SHARON LAWRENCE
Clerk of County Council

(DATE)

(RECIPIENT)

Dear (Recipient),

For the past — years, Luzerne County has been providing Hazelton Public Transit with their local match so that they can receive state operating assistance funds. Section 1513 of Title 74 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes requires a local match in order for Hazelton Public Transit to receive their State Operating Assistance Funds; and since this benefits residents of Luzerne County we have committed the funds year over year. Our budget grows tighter and tighter every year, as I'm sure you experience the same in your counties as well. While we typically provide the full match, or last year- a portion of it, the issue is raised that these routes do operate in Carbon and Schuylkill counties as well. It can be argued that our residents take these routes into your counties and most likely spend money there by patronizing your businesses and that your residents use these routes as well. We implore you to contribute ten percent of this match as it benefits the residents of all of our communities. I am sure you agree that it is not fair that our tax payers pay the entire match. While we have committed to the match up to this point, we are unsure how much longer we can sustain this growing obligation.

Please contribute moving forward; ten percent is a small percentage that will continue providing services to your communities and will help us take some of the burden off of our taxpayers.

Thank you,

Luzerne County Council
(signature page follows)

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