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**RE: May 12, 2006 Rapid Transit Workshop**


Dear Transportation Stakeholder:

The National Transit Institute (NTI), in cooperation with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), is sponsoring a Monterey Bay Rapid Transit Regional Workshop on the topic "Bus Rapid Transit – A New Modal Option for Monterey Bay" on May 12, 2006, at CSUMB from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. A planning committee made up of a number of governmental, university and business group representatives has been established and is working hard to make the workshop a success. As General Manager/CEO of MST, the conference's host, I would like to invite you and members of your organization to participate in this important free learning event.

The workshop is planned as an all day event with the morning session focusing on an introduction to Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) and its impact on transportation planning and urban development in cities around the world. Afternoon sessions are designed to focus on the Monterey Bay region and specific alternatives and options for rapid transit improvements. The workshop will include a complimentary lunch for all participants. Speakers have been selected from a cadre of internationally known and respected transportation experts that have been actively involved in all aspects of BRT to include: planning, design, development, implementation and evaluation of projects throughout the world. They will offer us their expertise in identifying possible local and regional corridors for BRT implementation and in designating what components of BRT are most suitable for those corridors.

I would encourage you to put this date on your calendar. Because space is limited, we would like to get the names of those individuals from your organization that will be attending by May 1, 2006. Please contact MST's Mary Archer at (831) 393-8128 to confirm attendance and obtain further details relating to the workshop. Thank you in advance for your interest and support and I look forward to joining with you in making the workshop a success.

Sincerely,



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General Manager/CEO