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A Fresh Approach To Public Transportation

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Mr. Martin Buehler, P.E., Director  
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Lake County  
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Dear Mr. Buehler:

Pace remains committed to upcoming ICE and NFI grant projects in Lake County. After years of planning and development, it is exciting to see these projects come to fruition.

The Pace Planning Department reports that they are finalizing plans for the Route 570 Expansion and Circulator. They are planning on a November implementation. Pace has committed \$130,500 to this project.

Paratransit staff is ready to go on the Northwest Lake County Demonstration Project. At this point, we are waiting for the County to reconvene the steering committee to finalize the service design. Once the service design is set, we can get you an agreement for execution. One word of caution on a start date – our IT Department is upgrading some of our hardware and putting in some database patches. We need to work our implementation schedule around their activities.

As a point of clarification, we have committed \$100,000 to get this demonstration up and running. If the project is successful, we hope to be in a position to allocate an additional \$100,000 in 2011. However, at this time I cannot commit to that. We will have to consider your request when 2011 revenues start to come into focus.

Please give me a call at (847)228-2301 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

T.J. Ross  
Executive Director

cc: Richard Welton,  
Pace Board of Directors