January 13, 2011

Ms. Ulli Watkiss City Clerk City of Toronto Toronto City Hall 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Dear Ms. Watkiss:

Recommendation:

The Toronto Transit Commission recommends that Toronto City Council, through the Budget Committee, approve the required 2011 operating subsidy for Wheel-Trans.

Background:

At its meeting on Wednesday, January 12, 2011 the Commission considered the attached report entitled "2011 Wheel-Trans Operating Budget".

The Commission took the following action:

- 1. Approved the 2011 Wheel-Trans Operating Budget (presentation attached) as described in this report, and
- 2. Noted that the 2011 Wheel-Trans Operating Budget includes an increased subsidy requirement of \$8,300K as summarized below:

Expenditures	\$96,500
Revenues	(<u>5,500)</u>
Subsidy Required	\$91,000
2010 Approved City Operating Subsidy	82,700
Additional Subsidy Required	\$ 8,300

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3. Noted that the Wheel-Trans Service Plan encompasses the following key factors:

- Eligibility Criteria and Application Process remain unchanged
- Active registrant base increasing by 12% to 44,800
- > Trips increasing to 2.9 million
- Accommodating 98% of trips
- Further integration with the conventional transit system
- Community Bus routes remain at five (5)
- Implementing scheduling enhancements
- Operating Budget Workforce increasing by 2 to a year-end complement of 531
- The service area does not increase beyond the City of Toronto boundaries
- No impact from AODA Transportation Standards until 2012
- 4. Forward this report to the City of Toronto requesting approval of the required 2011 Operating Subsidy for Wheel-Trans, and
- 5. Forward this report to the TTC's Advisory Committee on Accessible Transportation (ACAT) for information, and
- 6. Forward this report to the Ontario Minister of Transportation, the Ontario Minister of Energy and Infrastructure, and the Ontario Minister of Finance, for information, and
- 7. Forward this report to the Federal Minister of Transport, Infrastructure, and Communities, for information.

The foregoing is forwarded to Toronto City Council, through the Budget Committee, for consideration and approval of the required 2011 operating subsidy for Wheel-Trans.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Vincent Rodo General Secretary

1-11 Attachment