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TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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SUBJECT: PASS-THROUGH GRANT SPONSOR PROGRAM
UPDATE

ISSUE

In October 2001, the MTA Board of Directors approved a Pass-Through Grant Sponsor Program for specified federal transit funds awarded to local cities and agencies. When the Board approved the Program, the Board also directed staff to report annually on the status of the current **\$18.3 million** Program.

BACKGROUND

The majority of funds made available to local agencies through the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) are now federal. Additionally, federal funds being made available to cities and local agencies through direct Congressional earmarks has increased over the past few years. These separate but similar actions resulted in a growing number of local agencies within Los Angeles County attempting to secure federal transit funding from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Many of these cities and local agencies had never received FTA funds and were not capable of fully administering such funds. To rectify this situation, the FTA encouraged the MTA to act as grantee for those cities and agencies that were unprepared to apply for and receive federal transit funds on their own. Subsequently, on October 25, 2001, the MTA Board approved the Pass-Through Grant Sponsor Program. The approved Program allows the MTA to assume the role of pass-through grant sponsor and obtain federal transit funds for pre-designated city and local agency recipients.

When the Board approved the Pass-Through Grant Sponsor Program, eight cities (Avalon, Bell, Burbank, Cudahy, El Segundo, Maywood, Monrovia and Monterey Park) and one local agency (Playa Capital Corporation) had expressed an interest in utilizing the services of the program. Since then, eight additional cities (Baldwin Park, Compton, Covina, El Monte, Glendale, Pasadena, Santa Fe Springs, and West Covina) and one agency (Pasadena Metro Blue Line Construction Authority) have

requested assistance under the Program. Further, four cities (Burbank, Glendale, Monrovia and Monterey Park) have requested assistance under the program for a second time.

As shown on the attachment, staff is administering an **\$18.3 million** Program. Grant applications in the amount of **\$6.6 million** have been approved/submitted to date; applications totaling **\$5.7 million** are currently being developed; and another **\$6 million** in funding is being processed through interagency agreements.

NEXT STEPS

Staff will continue to administer the Program that the Board has approved. The Program will continue to facilitate the delivery of pre-designated federal transit funds to their respective recipients, and to the region as a whole. Further, staff will continue to report annually to the Board with updated information on the Program's activities.

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Attachment

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PASS-THROUGH GRANT SPONSOR PROGRAM
STATUS REPORT MAY 2002

AGENCY	FISCAL YEAR	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	TYPE OF FUNDS	GRANT AMOUNT	GRANT STATUS
Blue Line Const. Auth.	2002	Sierra Madre Villa intermodal facility	5309	\$1,500,000.00	discussion only
City of Baldwin Park	2002	4 shuttles	STP	\$561,000.00	in development
City of Bell	2001	Bus shelters and amenities	5309	\$196,219.00	pending award
City of Burbank	2001	3 CNG shuttles	STP	\$305,000.00	approved
City of Burbank	2003	2 CNG shuttles	CMAQ	\$396,012.00	MOU
City of Compton	2003	4 shuttles	STP	\$579,000.00	CTC allocation
City of Covina	2003	Metrolink station intermodal parking facility	STP	\$2,472,000.00	discussion only
City of Cudahy	2001	Bus shelters and amenities	5309	\$117,731.00	pending award
City of El Monte	2004	3 shuttles	STP	\$690,000.00	CTC allocation
City of El Segundo	2002	Douglas St. Green Line transit center	5309	\$2,079,661.00	submitted
City of Glendale	2002	6 CNG buses	CMAQ	\$927,000.00	in development
City of Glendale	2002	8 CNG buses	CMAQ	\$1,820,000.00	in development
City of Glendale	2003	CNG fueling station	CMAQ	\$526,009.00	MOU
City of Maywood	2001	2 propane cut-aways	5309	\$117,731.00	pending award
City of Monrovia	2001	2 hybrid electric trolleys	5309	\$574,383.00	pending award
City of Monrovia	2002	CNG fueling station	5309	\$267,383.00	MOU
City of Monterey Park	2001	3 shuttles	STP	\$283,000.00	approved
City of Monterey Park	2002	4 shuttles	STP	\$579,000.00	in development
City of Pasadena	2002	1 hybrid electric shuttle	5309	\$396,012.00	discussion only
City of Santa Fe Springs	2002	replacement bus and shelters	5309	\$495,015.00	FTIP amendment
City of West Covina	2003	4 shuttles	STP	\$550,000.00	CTC allocation
Playa Capital Corp. LLC	2001	4 buses, 5 cut-aways & bus shelters	5309	\$2,970,945.00	submitted
TOTALS				\$18,403,101.00	