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Mr. Doug Ferguson, Senior Analyst
Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)
233 South Wacker Drive, Suite 800
Chicago, Illinois 60606

RE: CMAQ Proposed Programs – Letter of Support for Pace’s Pulse Dempster Line

Dear Mr. Ferguson,

The Village of Niles strongly supports CMAP’s proposed award of CMAQ funding to Pace Suburban Bus for the advancement of the Pulse Dempster Line project (CMAP Project ID TI17184310). The Village of Niles continues to work closely with Pace on planning for arterial rapid transit along two important corridors in our community—Dempster Street and Milwaukee Avenue.

As with the first Pulse line in the Chicago area—along Milwaukee Avenue here in Niles—the planned Pulse Dempster Line will also provide fast, frequent, and reliable bus service using the latest technology and streamlined route design, resulting in increased transit ridership and improvements to service reliability. The Dempster corridor is an ideal location for a limited-stop, express service because it is a heavily traveled corridor with connections to major regional destinations.

We support the Pulse Dempster Line and we look forward to continuing to work with Pace on the planning and implementation of this important transit improvement.

Sincerely,

Steven C. Vinezeano, Village Manager

Cc: Mr. David Tomzik, Pace Suburban Bus