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WASHINGTON



United States Senate
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-4705

April 8, 2021

Nuria Fernandez
Acting Administrator
Federal Transit Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Low or No Emission Grant Program 2021
Electric Vehicle Replacement

Dear Administrator Fernandez,

I am writing in support of Everett Transit's application to the Federal Transit Administration's Bus and Bus Facilities Low or No Emission grant program. With grant funding, Everett Transit will purchase 12 fully electric, zero emission buses to replace 12 diesel buses that are 14 to 15 years old.

Everett Transit provides service to the City of Everett with 10 local fixed-route and paratransit services that connect with a variety of regional transportation options. According to the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency, Everett Transit's service area is highly impacted by air pollution.

Everett Transit has already made a substantial investment in electric vehicles and charging infrastructure. Replacing these 12 buses will make Everett Transit's fleet 71.4% electric, 23.8% hybrid electric, leaving only two diesel buses in the fleet.

With grant funding, Everett Transit will continue to provide a vital public transportation link in the region while reducing hazardous emissions. Thank you for your full and fair consideration to Everett Transit's application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Maria Cantwell".

Maria Cantwell
United States Senator