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Vision Strategy No. 2: Foster Customer-Oriented Public Transportation--To focus on customer based needs for current and future markets and provide responsive, affordable, convenient, and accessible public transportation services.

Goal Number I - Emphasize improved transit services for minorities and transit dependent persons living in economically distressed communities.

Goal Number 2 - Make transit systems easier to use and more reliable to the customer.

Goal Number 3 - Support the development of full service transit systems that have the ability to meet a variety of customer needs.

Vision Strategy No. 3: Foster Industry Adaptability to Enable the Industry to Respond to Changes in Transportation Patterns, Technologies, and Needs-- To promote a competitive transit industry that plans and responds to changes in travel patterns and needs.

Goal Number 1 - Increase and improve public transportation effectiveness through research and adoption of new technology, management practices and service innovation.

Goal Number 2 - Foster production of "Better" transit vehicles and components.

Goal Number 3 - Promote the collection, dissemination, and exchange of information on research, technology, management practices, and innovation.

Goal ***Number*** 4 - Provide assistance to domestic transit manufacturers and technical service industries to enhance the U.S. competitive position in global markets.

Vision Strategy No. 4 - Maximize a Multimodal Approach to Transportation-- To Encourage collaboration among those who use, provide, regulate, fund and/or benefit from transportation to promote choices among transportation modes.

Goal Number 1 - Lead the development of seamless transportation systems that provide options and ensure convenient linkages between modes for all persons in all communities combined with a public awareness of those transportation choices through easily accessible integrated information.

Goal Number 2 - Promote a collaborative process among Federal, State, local, and other organizations (public and private) which provides a greater variety of choices in the transportation of people and goods.

Goal Number 3 - Identify and address community and individual transportation needs through intermodalism.

Vision Strategy No. 5: Ensure a Quality Organization that Emphasizes Mutual Respect--To be responsive to employee needs and empower its employees to be productive contributors to the FTA mission.

Goal Number 1 - Foster an environment which supports mutual respect and courtesy, ensures that all employees are treated fairly, and strives to maintain and upgrade the professional/technical knowledge and competence of employees.

Goal Number 2 - Foster an environment which actively promotes the employment and retention of a diverse workforce within FTA.

Goal Number 3 - Promote career development and the establishment of a fair and equitable reward system to include awards other than monetary. These initiatives will maximize individual contributions to the agency while improving employee quality of life.

Goal Number 4 - Encourage mutual understanding of the program challenges of headquarters and regional offices.

Goal Number 5 - Operate under the principle that employees are valued, empowered to make decisions and take risks while functioning as a team to accomplish the agency's mission.

Vision Strategy No. 6 - Ensure Highest Level of Transit Service Assistance Delivery--To improve the delivery of transit service and mobility for the public through a proactive role in providing technical assistance and support to transportation providers.

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Nontechnical Constraints and Barriers to Implementation of Intelligent Vehicle-Highway Systems. Report to Congress.
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The ISTEA requires the US DOT to prepare, in cooperation with the Departments of Commerce and Justice, two special reports on intelligent vehicle highway systems (IVHS) nontechnical and institutional issues (Appendix A). This document is the first. The report discusses whether nontechnical and institutional factors raise substantial barriers to the development and deployment of IVHS in the United States Some of the issues addressed in this study include: barriers to private sector participation in the national program; institutional impediments to metropolitan traffic management; procurement of IVHS products and services; design and performance standards; staffing and education needs; antitrust issues; liability concerns; and others. The report is based upon the results of research studies and comments from members of the IVHS community, state and local governments, academia, private parties, and public interest groups (Appendix C). The report states that none of the issues examined are so large as to seriously delay or prevent the timely development and adoption of IVHS technologies.

Primer on Intelligent Vehicle Highway Systems. TR Circular 412.
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This Primer is a source of basic information on IVHS terminology, technologies, and activities. The main objective of the Primer is to provide a useful source of basic information to those new to the IVHS field and a reference tool to those already involved in IVHS. The essays that form the first half of this Primer describe the prominent and timely topics in IVHS and provide a basic foundation of information on IVHS. Although the focus is on United States IVHS, there are sections describing the state of IVHS in Canada, Europe, and Japan. There are brief descriptions of major United States operational field tests, and information on the roles of various United States standards setting organizations and Federal agencies involved in IVHS. The second half of this Primer is an IVHS glossary. This section should prove useful to those planning to become more familiar with IVHS terms, activities, and organizations.

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The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued a regulation affecting pre-1994 model year urban buses when their engines are rebuilt or replaced after January 1, 1995. Known as the EPA's Urban Bus Retrofit/Rebuild Program, the requirement applies only to those urban buses powered by heavy-duty diesel (HDD) engines operating in metropolitan areas with 1980 populations of 750,0000 or more. The intent of the regulation is to reduce particulate matter (PM) emissions from urban buses. This report will familiarize transit agency staff with the program. The document will be of interest to transit agency general managers, operations, maintenance, and planning personnel, as well as environmental agency officials, equipment suppliers, consultants, and others concerned with bus operations planning and design. The synthesis summarizes the options available under the EPA's program for heavy-duty diesel bus engines and clarifies the information in the regulations for transit agencies developing their own strategies for compliance. The synthesis also provides an overview of transit agency programs already in place to reduce PM emissions. This synthesis is an immediately useful document that records practices that were acceptable within the limitations of the knowledge available at the time of its preparation.

Sourcebook on Transit-Related Environmental Regulations: Requirements Affecting the Acquisition and Maintenance of Transit Vehicles and Facilities.
EG&G Dynatrend, Friend D; Prepared for the FTA Office of Planning (Joseph Ossi, TPL-20), December 1994, 206pp.
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Human Resources

Civil Engineering Careers: A User's Guide for Awareness, Retention, and Curriculum Programs.
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Committee on High-Occupancy Vehicle Systems, Transportation Research Board, National Research Council; April 1995, 34pp.
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Status Report on Public Transportation in Rural America, 1994.
Community Transportation Association of America, Rucker G; Prepared for the FTA Rural Transit Assistance Program (RTAP) administered by the American Public Works Association, December 1994, 65pp.
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Livable Communities Initiative. Program Description. Brochure.
FTA Office of Planning (Edward L. Thomas, TPL-20); Septermber 1994, 9pp.

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Mobility Match Study in Prince George's County, Maryland.
JHK & Associates, Inc., In Association with Ecosometrics, Inc.; Prepared for Maryland National Capital Park & Planning Commission, and FTA Office of Research, Demonstration & Innovation (Joseph Goodman, TRI-12), November 1994, 335pp.
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National Bicycling and Walking Study: Transportation Choices for a Changing America. Report to Congress.
Highway Safety Research Center, Zegeer C, et al.; and HDR Engineering Inc., Feske D, et al.; Prepared for the FHWA, March 1994, 150pp.
Report Number: FHWA-PD-94-023

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This report is about enhancing the travel options of bicycling and walking. The report draws upon all of the work completed to date in outlining an action plan to promote bicycling and walking as viable transportation options. The study aims to increase the use of these two travel modes by developing a plan for making bicycling and walking safer and more appealing modes of personal transportation. The document presents a plan of action for activities at the Federal, state, and local levels for meeting the goals of doubling the current percentage of total trips made

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The study focuses on developing non-traditional transit alternatives to better serve the residents of Prince George's County. It identifies the transportation needs of the area, evaluates the applicability of traditional and non-traditional transit options, and develops an implementation plan for selected transportation services. This report presents a summary of information collected to identify target areas for the implementation of non-traditional transit services. It describes the methodology used to select target employment clusters and residential areas; the findings of the trip generation estimation for the key employment and residential areas; and the estimation of non-traditional transit usage for these areas. The report includes the preliminary options proposed for the County, the evaluation of the options, and the selected options for the development of the implementation plan. One of the recommended options is a shuttle system operated with small buses and designed to serve the needs of the Prince George's Plaza/Hyattsville areas. A second option provides a connection of a major hospital with nearby residential communities and a major shopping center in the County. This service would be operated as fixed route during peak periods and route deviated service during off-peak hours. The third recommended service is another community-oriented bus that provides frequent connections between a newly developed residential community, metro stations, and retail establishments. The study recommends implementation of the three options to evaluate the applicability of the proposed non-traditional transit in serving the needs of suburban communities.

National Bicycling and Walking Study: Transportation Choices for a Changing America. Report to Congress.
Highway Safety Research Center, Zegeer C, et al.; and HDR Engineering Inc., Feske D, et al.; Prepared for the FHWA, March 1994, 150pp.
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This report is about enhancing the travel options of bicycling and walking. The report draws upon all of the work completed to date in outlining an action plan to promote bicycling and walking as viable transportation options. The study aims to increase the use of these two travel modes by developing a plan for making bicycling and walking safer and more appealing modes of personal transportation. The document presents a plan of action for activities at the Federal, state, and local levels for meeting the goals of doubling the current percentage of total trips made

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Regional Mobility

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These proceedings summarize the highlights from the ***Travel Demand Management Innovation and Research Symposium: Setting a Strategic Agenda for the Future*** that was held on November 15 and 16, 1993, in Arlington, Virginia. The symposium brought together a wide range of individuals from throughout the country to discuss the current status of travel demand management (TDM) activities and to help chart a course to advance the state of TDM practice into the next century. The symposium proceedings represent the collective experiences of the foremost TDM practitioners and researchers in 1993. The symposium results also serve as the basis for an ongoing research program focused on advancing the state of the practice related to TDM planning, implementation, and evaluation.

Transit-Based Residential Development in the United States. A Review of Recent Experiences. Working Paper 611.
University of California at Berkeley, Institute of Urban and Regional Development, Cervero R, and Bernick M, et al.; Prepared for the FTA Office of Planning (Effie S. Stallsmith, TPL-20). March 1994, 50pp.
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Rail transit agencies are placing new emphasis on transit-based and/or residential developments within a one-quarter mile radius of a rail transit station built to tie into the station through easy walking or shuttle access. These developments are often referred to as the 'Transit Village.' This study represents the first examination of transit-based development efforts nationwide. The study goals were to compile an inventory of the recent major residential developments on transit district land and residential developments on non-transit district land proximate to a rail transit station and built to tie into the station; to detail recent planning efforts to concentrate development at transit stations; and to analyze transit agency roles in achieving transit-based developments. Steps were taken in conjunction with 17 American rail transit systems to achieve these goals. The report discusses the achievements and prospects for these developments as well as the roles for transit agencies and for the FTA. The current state of transit-based developments in America is summarized as having a good deal of transit agencies' support. But still, very few residential projects are actually built on transit district land or land adjacent to the station. The study identifies the FTA role as one of examining ways to work with local transit agencies in an implementation mode, and not one of coordinating additional conferences on the subject or trying to generate interest

Rural and Specialized Transit

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Safety and Security

Bus and Passenger Accident Prevention. Final Report.
Judith A. Byman Enterprises, Under Contract to Volpe Center, Judith A. Byman, and William T. Hathaway; Prepared for the FTA Office of Safety & Security (Carole A. Ferguson, TPM-30), June 1994, 84pp.
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This document provides guidance on how to develop and implement an accident prevention program for urban, rural, and specialized transit systems. Included in this document is guidance on the development and implementation of an accident prevention program, evaluation of design options for new vehicles, promotion of patron safety and awareness, and personnel and training issues. Safety system policy issues and procedures to prevent bus accidents are discussed in terms of preventive maintenance programs, pre-trip and post-trip vehicle inspections, as well as policy issues and procedures concerning lifts, restraints, and securement devices. The guidance is intended to assist managers, safety directors, operations staff, board members, and state and local officials who are responsible for planning, procuring, equipping, and operating transit systems. The appendices provide safety information that is structured for immediate use, such as: Sample Safety Policy; Bus Safety Inspection Checklist; Generic Hazard Checklist; Sample Position Description Form; Employee Selection and Status Checklists; Vehicle Defect Report; and Vehicle Safety Inspection Checklist;

Exploring How to Make System Safety Work in Transit.
Volpe Center, Research and Special Programs Administration; Prepared for the FTA Office of Safety & Security (TPM-30), December 1994, 64pp.
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The purpose of this workshop, ***Exploring How to Make System Safety Work in Transit,*** was to develop a workable system safety process that meets the needs of the New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) and the New York State Public Transportation Safety Board (PTSB). The workshop addressed the issues and concerns uncovered during the April 1989 safety investigation of the MTA and its operating elements. It was the largest and most comprehensive safety investigation ever conducted of a public transit system. This report describes the two-day workshop sponsored by the FTA, the PTSB, and the MTA that was held in New York City, September 21-22, 1993, to develop ideas for improving safety at the transit systems operating under the MTA through more effective use of system safety principles and the System Safety Program Plans (SSPP). The workshop provided a unique opportunity for the attending transit operators, overseers, regulators, and safety personnel (38 altogether) with the

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Technology Development

Assessment of Ferries as Alternatives to Land-Based Transportation: Executive Summary. Volume 1 of 3 Volumes.
Norris CR, Urban Design and Transportation Planning Consultant, In Association with the Urban Harbors Institute of the University of Massachusetts at Boston, Norris CR; Prepared for the FTA Office of Technology (Irving Chamber, TRI-20), May 1994, 38pp.
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This assessment report presents an overview of the rise, fall, return, and future uses of ferry systems as alternatives to land-based transportation modes in the United States. The purpose of the study was to learn more about where and when ferries serve as alternatives to land based transportation systems, their role as travel mode options in the future, and the context in which it makes good transportation sense to pursue the "wet road." The research was conducted in two phases: National survey of ferry systems and types, and case studies of five representative ferry systems. The case study task was to determine the decision factors for water or land based mode choice, and to identify factors that may influence future ferry planning and trends. Overall, the case study and survey assessments illustrate how particular ferry routes serve as alternatives to land based transportation in a variety of locations. The analyses identified the basic transportation functions provided by the different routes, and interpreted those historical decision-making processes which have resulted in the continuation or expansion of ongoing systems and the start-up of new ones. The conclusions are summarized and organized accordingly: four periods of 20th century ferry service; critical decision factors for water or land based mode choice; and ferry planning and implementation techniques which may be useful to future systems. The recommendations for a National Ferry Policy are also included.

Assessment of Ferries as Alternatives to Land-Based Transportation: System Types and Surveys. Volume 2 of 3 Volumes. Phase 1.
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This Phase 1 report focused on identifying and assessing those factors, past, present, and future, which have influenced decisions on the choice of water-based versus land-based transportation for passenger travel. Twenty-five ferry routes and systems were surveyed to identify locations where ferry services have been used to provide an alternative to bridges, tunnels, highways, or rail routes. Summary descriptions of each of the 25 ferry systems suveyed are documented along

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This assessment report presents an overview of the rise, fall, return, and future uses of ferry systems as alternatives to land-based transportation modes in the United States. The purpose of the study was to learn more about where and when ferries serve as alternatives to land based transportation systems, their role as travel mode options in the future, and the context in which it makes good transportation sense to pursue the "wet road." The research was conducted in two phases: National survey of ferry systems and types, and case studies of five representative ferry systems. The case study task was to determine the decision factors for water or land based mode choice, and to identify factors that may influence future ferry planning and trends. Overall, the case study and survey assessments illustrate how particular ferry routes serve as alternatives to land based transportation in a variety of locations. The analyses identified the basic transportation functions provided by the different routes, and interpreted those historical decision-making processes which have resulted in the continuation or expansion of ongoing systems and the start-up of new ones. The conclusions are summarized and organized accordingly: four periods of 20th century ferry service; critical decision factors for water or land based mode choice; and ferry planning and implementation techniques which may be useful to future systems. The recommendations for a National Ferry Policy are also included.

Assessment of Ferries as Alternatives to Land-Based Transportation: System Types and Surveys. Volume 2 of 3 Volumes. Phase 1.
Norris CR, Urban Design and Transportation Planning Consultant, In Association with the Urban Harbors Institute of the University of Massachusetts at Boston, Charles R. Norris; Prepared for the FTA Office of Technology (Irving Chambers, TRI-20), May 1994, 38pp.
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This Phase 1 report focused on identifying and assessing those factors, past, present, and future, which have influenced decisions on the choice of water-based versus land-based transportation for passenger travel. Twenty-five ferry routes and systems were surveyed to identify locations where ferry services have been used to provide an alternative to bridges, tunnels, highways, or rail routes. Summary descriptions of each of the 25 ferry systems suveyed are documented along

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This report is an attempt to usher in a new era for marine transit on the Boston Harbor. It is the first comprehensive examination of the integration of land based and marine based modes to better serve the needs of ferry patrons as well as to bring marine transit facilities into compliance with the ADA. The study seeks to build upon earlier studies related to the future of the Boston Harbor Ferry System. This report discusses transportation on the Harbor, topography and logistics of the waterfront, transportation linkage alternative analysis, proposed central marine transit terminal, and commuter patterns. The report concludes that both patrons and individuals with disabilities would be best served by the development of a central marine transit terminal that would be fully accessible during all seasons and for the complete tidal range of Boston Harbor. The report also states that the needs of ferry commuters would be best served with the institution of two express bus shuttles operating from the central terminal to the Back Bay and Beacon Hill working districts of Boston. In addition, the study recommended that the city institute a waterfront transitway which would link the waterfront of Boston between North and South Stations. The waterfront transitway would primarily serve the needs of non-commuter ferry patrons and tourists.

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Community Transportation Association of America; Prepared for the FTA Rural Transit Assistance Program (Roger Tate, TRI-30), December 1994, 352pp.
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User Friendly Bus Interior Design: Reducing Falls Through Improved Visual Environment. Executive Summary and Final Report.
The Pennsylvania State University, Pennsylvania Transportation Institute, Gilmore BJ; Prepared for the FTA University Research and Training Program (Solomon E, TRI-30), August 1994, 61pp.
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As people age, their sense of balance decreases and they become more susceptible to spatial disorientation due to visual system changes which affect posture, locomotion and falls; thus, the possibility of falling becomes significantly higher. This research takes a fundamental approach to understanding the falling injuries of people on a moving bus and to establishing design guidelines for visual conditions that maximize a passenger's sense of balance and spatial orientation in a cost-effective way. It proposes cost-effective design guidelines to increase ride comfort, safety, and transit bus utility levels by specifying the visual cue requirements that allows elderly riders to maintain a maximum sense of balance and spatial orientation. This report includes a review of present ergonomic design standards and practices for bus interiors based on literature reviews and bus manufacturer publications. It discusses experimental methods used to help determine guidelines that would reduce the incidence of falls on a moving bus. Human subjects were used in both phases to obtain objective and subjective data. Results suggests that the use of vertical geometric patterns is a workable intervention strategy for bus interior design that would improve visionary control of posture and decrease the risk of falls for the elderly on moving transit vehicles. This recommendation is more beneficial to older people with poorer vision and poorer postural stability. The compliance with the recommended vertical visual cue arrangements does not require the retrofit of buses with equipment but only with the interior color scheme. The report includes suggestions for future research.

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Bus Route Evaluation Standards. Synthesis of Transit Practice 10.
Transportation Research Board, National Research Council, Benn HP of Barton-Aschman Associates, Inc.; Prepared for the FTA Transit Cooperative Research Program (Gwendolyn R. Cooper, TRI-30), 1995, 60pp.
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Bus route evaluation standards comprise several criteria that measure the quality and quantity of service offered by a public transit system's bus routes. This synthesis compiles current activity and assesses the state of the art of evaluating individual bus routes. The synthesis examined industry practice in late 1993 to early 1994 by means of a multiple choice questionnaire. Information on bus route evaluation standards and criteria used by transit agencies in the United States and Canada is summarized. The survey of transit agencies in North America indicated that 44 different evaluation criteria are currently used in the transit industry. These criteria cover activities related to bus route design and operation, ranging from location of bus stops to the hours of service. The report provides updated information to the 1984 US DOT report entitled ***Bus Service Evaluation Methods: A Review.*** Copies of the 1984 and 1994 surveys are provided in Appendices A and B. This synthesis will be of interest to transit agency general managers, as well as operations, scheduling, maintenance, and planning personnel. This synthesis is an immediately useful document.

Management Information Systems. Synthesis of Transit Practice 5.
Transportation Research Board, National Research Council; Prepared for the FTA Transit Cooperative Research Program, (Gwendolyn R. Cooper, TRI-30),
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This synthesis will be of interest to general managers of transit agencies, managers of management information systems (MIS), and information systems personnel, as well as operations, scheduling, maintenance, finance, and others concerned with improving information flow and database development. Concerns that the transit industry lags behind the private sector in acquiring and deploying information systems technology helped generate this study. This report focuses on the general direction of change in transit MIS and on specific integration efforts that are applicable and transferable to the transit industry as a whole. The synthesis identifies the barriers that inhibit implementation of technology as well as the direction and key success factors of selected transit agencies that have successfully implemented MIS. The synthesis documents the range, variety,

and benefits derived from the current information and examines how effectively information from special-purpose systems is integrated into the overall information systems environment and used across departmental boundaries.

Regulatory Impacts on Design and Retrofit of Bus Maintenance Facilities. Synthesis of Transit Practice 7.
Transportation Research Board, National Research Council; Prepared for the FTA Transit Cooperative Research Program, (Gwendolyn R. Cooper, TRI-30), 1994, 55pp.
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This synthesis is intended for use by transit managers and transit facility design consultants and engineers as sell as funding agencies and officials in determining the effects of recent regulations on the size, layout, and design features for new or modified bus maintenance facilities. The report 1) identifies some of the effects that recently enacted legislation and implemented regulations have had on the design of bus maintenance facilities; and 2) identifies some of the most recent successful practices that have been incorporated into the design of bus maintenance facilities including modifications to accommodate new technology vehicles. Recent regulations that impact on bus garage design are those relating to the ADA, CAAA, Clean Water Act, and EPA regulations regarding underground storage tanks. Information for this study was obtained from 16 transit agencies on practices used in the design of recently completed bus maintenance facilities Ways in which these regulations have affected the design of relatively new bus garages are reviewed. This synthesis report is an immediately useful document that records practices that were acceptable at the time of its preparation.

Retrofit of Buses to Meet Clean Air Regulations. Synthesis of Transit Practice 8.
Transportation Research Board, National Research Council; Prepared for the FTA Transit Cooperative Research Program, (Gwendolyn R. Cooper, TRI-30),
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The EPA has issued a regulation affecting pre-1994 model year urban buses when their engines are rebuilt or replaced after January 1, 1995. Known as the EPA's Urban Bus Retrofit/Rebuild Program, the requirement applies only to those urban buses powered by heavy-duty diesel (HDD) engines operating in metropolitan areas with 1980 populations of 750,0000 or more. The intent of the regulation is to reduce particulate matter (PM) emissions from urban buses. This synthesis

report strives to familiarize transit agency staff with the EPA's Urban Bus Retrofit/Rebuild program. The document will be of interest to transit agency general managers, operations, maintenance, and planning personnel, as well as environmental agency officials, equipment suppliers, consultants, and others concerned with bus operations planning and design. The synthesis summarizes the options available under the EPA's program for heavy-duty diesel bus engines and clarifies the information in the regulations for transit agencies developing their own strategies for compliance. The synthesis also provides an overview of transit agency programs already in place to reduce PM emissions. This synthesis is an immediately useful document that records practices that were acceptable within the limitations of the knowledge available at the time of its preparation.

Role of Performance-Based Measures in Allocating Funding for Transit Operations. Synthesis of Transit Practice 6.
Transportation Research Board, National Research Council; Prepared for the FTA Transit Cooperative Research Program, (Gwendolyn R. Cooper, TRI-30), 1994, 52pp.
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This synthesis focuses primarily on the relationship between states and the public transit systems that they fund and is designed to provide information about performance-based funding allocation methods used by the states. The synthesis explores if and how performance assessment is being used as a way to distribute financial assistance to local transit systems by state and regional bodies. Case studies were conducted for the funding allocation systems used by three states: Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Texas. The practical application of these indicators in the case studies is discussed, and the value and effectiveness of the programs is assessed from the perspectives of funding agencies and recipients. The synthesis is largely based on a survey of selected state departments of transportation (DOTs), regional financing bodies, and local transit authorities. Information on performance measures and performance-based allocation methods was obtained through various means: literature review; survey questionnaire (sent to 56 organizations/25 responses), telephone follow-up calls; and case studies. Survey results tend to represent the views and procedures of state DOTs and local transit systems more so than regional bodies like MPOs. Comments from many of the states and transit systems indicate that regional bodies play less of a role in the distribution of operating funds in most metropolitan areas. This synthesis will be of interest to transit agency general managers, financial officers, policy and planning personnel, and others concerned with the economic and budget aspects of providing transit service, as well as funding officials and policymakers in organizations such as DOTs and MPOs.

System-Specific Spare Bus Ratios. Synthesis of Transit Practice 11.
Transportation Research Board, National Research Council, Pierce JT of Los Angeles CA, and Moser EK of Baltimore MD; Prepared for the FTA Transit Cooperative Research Program (Gwendolyn R. Cooper, TRI-30), 1995, 53pp.
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Transit Bus Service Line and Cleaning Function. A Synthesis of Transit Practice 12.
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Workshop on Transit Fare Policy and Management Research Needs and Priorities: Proceedings.
Transportation Research Board, National Research Council in cooperation with the FTA April 1994, 77pp.

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These proceedings summarize the highlights from the ***Workshop on Transit Fare Policy and Management Research Needs,*** held in the summer of 1993 in Woods Hole, Massachusetts. The workshop brought together representatives from transit agencies, consulting firms, equipment vendors, universities, and Federal and local agencies to discuss research needs and priorities related to transit fare policy and management. Summaries of four resource papers and a status report on a current Transit Cooperative Research Project study highlighted the opening session and are documented in this proceedings report. Other workshop papers included in this document are the following: Workshop Overview, Welcome and Introduction, Working Group Summaries, and a Participant List. These proceedings are intended to help facilitate the development of a multifaceted fare related research program that is responsive to the needs of transit systems, Federal agencies, transit users and industry groups.

Workbook for Estimating Demand for Rural Passenger Transportation. TCRP Report 3.
SG Associates, Inc.; Leigh, Scott & Clear-y, Inc.; and C.M. Research Inc.; Prepared for the FTA Transit Cooperative Research Program, (Gwendolyn R. Cooper, TRI-30), Transportation Research Board, National Research Council, 1995, 131pp.
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