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to participate in shaping the delivery of transportation services in our region.

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA or Metro) has decentralized its bus operations into five sectors. Each sector has a general manager with responsibility for providing service along certain bus routes. Each sector also has a Sector Governance Council to provide oversight to the Sector’s operations and to make certain route, scheduling and management decisions in connection with this service.

The Gateway Cities Service Sector Governance Council has just been expanded to nine (9) members. The Gateway Cities Council of Governments (COG) will be nominating three (3) members to fill the vacancies. The MTA Gateway Cities Service Sector consists of the Gateway Cities COG member cities (except Montebello which is in the San Gabriel Valley Sector) and certain adjacent unincorporated areas. Applications are invited from now through August 31, 2005. Please note that the nominees will include no more than two elected officials and must include at least one consumer of transit.

Following is the application form to be completed and returned to the COG office no later than 4:00 pm August 31, 2005.

In accordance with the Americans Disability Act, this information may be obtained in alternative format by calling (562) 663-6850.
Gateway Cities MTA Service Sector Council
Membership Application

Return completed and signed application no later than 4:00 pm Aug. 31, 2005

to: Gateway Cities Council of Governments
    16401 Paramount Blvd.
    Paramount, CA 90723

Name __________________________________________________________
Home address _______________________________________________________
City _____________________     Telephone  ____________________________
Email ___________________________________________________________
Work address _________________________________________________________
City _____________________      Telephone ____________________________
Occupation _________________________________________________________

A. Please tell us why you are interested in serving on the Service Sector Council.

B. Describe your use of public transit.
C. What special perspectives, skills or expertise would you bring to the council?

If additional space is needed for questions A, B or C, you may attach ONE additional piece of paper.

References:

Please provide the names and daytime phone numbers of three persons who can discuss your knowledge of and commitment to public transit and/or your ability to participate constructively in a group decision making process:

(1) Name__________________________________    Phone _______________
(2) Name__________________________________    Phone _______________
(3) Name__________________________________    Phone _______________

Statement of interest and eligibility

I, _______________________, declare my interest and ability to serve on the Gateway Cities Service Sector Council of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA). I affirm that:
• I live and/or work in the Gateway Cities Sector Area.
• I am not an employee of the MTA.
• I am available and will to the fullest extent possible attend one Council meeting each month (currently scheduled the 2nd Thursday at 2:00 p.m. in Downey) as well as a limited number of special meetings as needed.
• I have reviewed the MTA Board of Directors Code of Conduct, including but not limited to information about gifts, contracting and business interests, and I will abide by the Code. Note: the Board of Directors Code of Conduct may be reviewed at the offices of the MTA, the offices of the Gateway Cities COG or on the MTA website www.metro.net (under About Us, go to the Ethics Department)

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Signature        Date

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