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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Over-the-Road Bus Accessibility Grant Program

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DOT.

ACTION: Announcement of Project Selections.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the selection of projects to be funded under Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 appropriations for the Over-the-Road Bus (OTRB) Accessibility Program, authorized by Section 3038 of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21). The OTRB Accessibility Program makes funds available to private operators of over-the-road buses to help finance the incremental capital and training costs of complying with DOT's over-the-road bus accessibility rule, published in the *Federal Register* on September 24, 1998. Under the rule, all new buses obtained by large fixed-route carriers after October 30, 2000, must be accessible with wheelchair lifts and tie downs that allow passengers to ride in their own wheelchairs. October 29, 2012 was the deadline whereby the fixed-route bus fleets of large carriers must be 100 percent accessible.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Successful applicants should contact the appropriate FTA Regional Office for grant-specific issues; or Élan Flippin, Office of Program Management, 202-366-3800, for general information about the OTRB Program. Contact information for FTA Regional Offices can be found at <http://www.fta.dot.gov/>. For information related to the OTRB accessibility rule, contact Peter Chandler, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, 202-366-5763.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A total of \$8.8 million was made available for the program in FY 2012: \$6.6 million for intercity fixed-route providers and \$2.2 million for all other providers, such as commuter, charter, and tour operators. A total of 114 applicants requested \$34.5 million: \$23.2 million was requested by intercity-fixed route providers, and \$11.3 million was requested by other providers. A

total of 77 projects were selected for funding. Project selections were made on a discretionary basis, based on each applicant's responsiveness to statutory project selection criteria published in the April 30, 2012 Notice of Funding Availability.

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION: Due to the high demand for the funds available, most successful applicants received less funding than they requested. The selected projects will provide funding for the incremental cost of adding at least one new lift to vehicles, retrofitting vehicles, and providing training not to exceed \$2,250. Training was only made available to providers of "Other" service and is listed in Table II where approved.

Grantees selected for competitive discretionary funding should work with their FTA regional office to finalize the electronic grant application in FTA's Transportation Electronic Awards Management System (TEAM) for the projects identified in Tables I and II. A discretionary project identification number has been assigned to each project for tracking purposes and must be used in the TEAM application. Awardees who are new to FTA should contact their regional office immediately for guidance about becoming an FTA grantee. Regional office contact information can be found at <http://www.fta.dot.gov/>.

The grant applications will be sent to the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) for certification under labor protection requirements pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5333(b). After referring applications to affected employees represented by a labor organization, DOL will issue a certification to FTA. Terms and conditions of the certification will be incorporated in the FTA grant agreement under the Special Warranty Provisions of the Department of Labor Guidelines "Section 5333(b), Federal Transit Law" at 29 CFR 215.7.

The grantee must comply with all applicable Federal statutes, regulations, executive orders, FTA circulars, and other Federal requirements in carrying out the project supported by the FTA grant.

This is the final year for discretionary awards under the Over-the-Road Bus program as the program was repealed under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act, signed by President Obama on July 6, 2012, and effective on October 1, 2012. Funds allocated in this announcement must be obligated in a grant by September 30, 2015.

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Peter Rogoff
Administrator

Table I
Federal Transit Administration
FY 2012 Over-the-Road Bus Discretionary Program
Intercity Project Awards

State	Project IDs	Recipient	Project Description	Allocation
CA	D2012-OTRB-001	American Star Tours, Inc.	Retrofits	\$53,712
CA	D2012-OTRB-002	Lux Bus America	New lifts	\$33,218
CA	D2012-OTRB-003	Orange Belt Stages	Retrofits	\$61,405
CO	D2012-OTRB-004	Ramblin' Express, Inc.	New lifts	\$61,405
FL	D2012-OTRB-005	Latin Express Service, Inc.	New lifts	\$29,700
FL	D2012-OTRB-006	Red Coach, Inc.	New lifts	\$59,516
GA	D2012-OTRB-007	American Coach Lines of Atlanta, Inc.	Retrofits	\$95,224
IA	D2012-OTRB-008	Burlington Stage Lines, LTD	New Lifts	\$65,640
IN	D2012-OTRB-009	Free Enterprise System/Royal, LLC	Retrofits	\$57,888
IN	D2012-OTRB-010	Star of America, LLC	New lifts	\$31,950
IN	D2012-OTRB-011	TRI-STATE COACH LINES, INC.	Retrofits	\$29,644
MA	D2012-OTRB-012	Peter Pan Bus Lines, Inc.	New lifts	\$283,734
MA	D2012-OTRB-013	Plymouth & Brockton Street Railway	New lifts	\$93,167
MD	D2012-OTRB-014	Dillon's Bus Service, Inc.	Retrofits	\$254,250
NE	D2012-OTRB-015	Busco, Inc.	Retrofits	\$258,111
NH	D2012-OTRB-016	Jalbert Leasing, Inc. dba C&J Bus Lines	New lifts	\$46,583

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NJ	D2012-OTRB-017	Academy Bus, LLC	New Lifts	\$1,000,000
NJ	D2012-OTRB-018	Hudson Transit Lines, Inc.	New Lifts	\$235,034
NY	D2012-OTRB-019	Adirondack Transit Lines, Inc.	New lifts and Retrofits	\$266,795
NY	D2012-OTRB-020	Chenango Valley Bus Lines Inc	Retrofits	\$27,526
OH	D2012-OTRB-021	Lakefront Lines, Inc.	Retrofits	\$82,602
PA	D2012-OTRB-022	Fullington Auto Bus Company (d/b/a Fullington Trailways, LLC	Retrofits	\$120,693
RI	D2012-OTRB-023	Bonanza Acquisition LLC	New Lifts	\$105,871
TX	D2012-OTRB-024	Greyhound Lines, Inc.	New Lifts	\$2,983,771
UT	D2012-OTRB-025	All Resorts Coach, INC	New Lifts	\$74,110
WI	D2012-OTRB-026	Badger Coaches Inc	New Lifts	\$93,167
WI	D2012-OTRB-027	Sam Van Galder Inc	Retrofits	\$95,284
			Total	\$6,600,000

Table II
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Other Project Awards

State	Project IDs	Recipient	Project Description	Allocation
AR	D2012-OTRB-028	Eventure America, Inc. dba Little Rock Tours	Retrofits and training	\$30,082
AZ	D2012-OTRB-029	Mountain View Tours, INC	New lifts and training	\$35,468
CA	D2012-OTRB-030	CUSA AWC, LLC	Retrofit	\$25,200
CA	D2012-OTRB-031	Hot Dogger Tours, INC	New lifts and training	\$35,468
CA	D2012-OTRB-032	McClintock - Hartley Enterprises, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$35,218
CA	D2012-OTRB-033	Screamline Investment Corporation	Retrofit	\$35,000
CA	D2012-OTRB-034	Silver State Coaches, Inc.	New lifts	\$65,000
CA	D2012-OTRB-035	SureRide Charter Inc.	Lifts and training	\$98,686
CT	D2012-OTRB-036	Arrow Line Acquisition LLC	New lifts and training	\$34,237
CT	D2012-OTRB-037	DATTCO, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$102,250
FL	D2012-OTRB-038	Classic Bus Lines, Inc.	New lifts	\$29,700
FL	D2012-OTRB-039	Escot Bus Lines Inc	New lifts and training	\$71,552
FL	D2012-OTRB-040	Express Transportation, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$25,834
FL	D2012-OTRB-041	Treasure Coast Motor Coach, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$32,146
GA	D2012-OTRB-042	Southeastern Stages, Inc.	Retrofits	\$57,180
IL	D2012-OTRB-043	Let Me Arrange It Inc.	New lifts	\$35,000
IL	D2012-OTRB-044	Vandalia Bus Lines, Inc.	New lifts	\$29,896
IN	D2012-OTRB-045	Free Enterprise System Inc	Retrofits and training	\$67,250
IN	D2012-OTRB-046	Kaser Enterprises, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$29,127
MA	D2012-OTRB-047	Bloom's Bus Lines Inc	New lifts	\$25,200

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MA	D2012-OTRB-048	Crystal Transport	Retrofits	\$35,000
MD	D2012-OTRB-049	Adventure Tours by Dawn, LLC	New lifts and training	\$27,450
MD	D2012-OTRB-050	First Priority Tours, Inc.	New lifts, retrofits and training	\$37,250
MD	D2012-OTRB-051	Golden Ring Travel and Transportation, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$37,250
MD	D2012-OTRB-052	Rill's Bus Service	New lifts	\$29,700
ME	D2012-OTRB-053	ISHERWOOD ENTERPRISES, INC. dba CUSTOM COACH AND LIMOUSINE	New lifts and training	\$37,250
MN	D2012-OTRB-054	Lorenz Bus Service, Inc.	New lifts, retrofits and training	\$57,362
MN	D2012-OTRB-055	Trobec's Bus Service, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$37,250
MN	D2012-OTRB-056	Voigt's Bus Service Inc	New lifts and training	\$37,250
MS	D2012-OTRB-057	Vision Tours, LLC	Retrofits and training	\$37,250
NC	D2012-OTRB-058	T.R.Y., Inc.	New lifts	\$30,075
NJ	D2012-OTRB-059	OLYMPIA TRAILS BUS COMPANY, INC.	Retrofits and training	\$61,950
NJ	D2012-OTRB-060	Stout's Charter Service Inc.	New lifts and training	\$37,250
NV	D2012-OTRB-061	Celebrity Coaches of America, Inc.	Lifts and retrofits	\$31,285
NV	D2012-OTRB-062	CUSA ELKO LLC	Retrofits	\$86,000
NY	D2012-OTRB-063	L & G Leasing, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$30,170
OR	D2012-OTRB-064	CUSA RAZ, LLC	Retrofits and training	\$31,950
PA	D2012-OTRB-065	Butler Motor Transit, Inc.	Retrofits and training	\$72,250
PA	D2012-OTRB-066	MGR Travel, Ltd.	New lifts	\$25,700
PA	D2012-OTRB-067	O.D. Anderson, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$67,250
PA	D2012-OTRB-068	Transportation Management Services, Inc	Retrofits and training	\$59,917
TN	D2012-OTRB-069	RLCL Acquisition, LLC	New lifts and training	\$67,250

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State	Project IDs	Recipient	Project Description	Allocation
TX	D2012-OTRB-070	Lone Star Coaches, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$31,543
TX	D2012-OTRB-071	Star Shuttle, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$31,950
VA	D2012-OTRB-072	DC Trails, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$72,250
VA	D2012-OTRB-073	QT Transport Inc	Retrofits and training	\$27,450
VA	D2012-OTRB-074	Venture Tours, Inc.	Retrofits and training	\$22,311
VT	D2012-OTRB-075	Premier Coach Company, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$87,060
WA	D2012-OTRB-076 (\$53,883); D2012-OTRB-06092(\$31,817)	GTO LLC	New lifts	\$85,700
WV	D2011-OTRB-098 (\$18,308); D2012-OTRB-09001(\$10,022)	Coach USA, Inc.	New lifts and training	\$28,330
			Total	\$2,260,147

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