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Dear Transit/Paratransit Operators:

This letter is to inform affected operators of the current status of the state vehicle contracts for paratransit buses.

Vehicle Type	Anticipated Bid Release	Expected Contract Award
1, 2, 3, CNG, Hybrid	November 2009	Middle of December 2009
Minivan	End of November 2009	Middle of January 2010
7 and 8	End of February 2010	Middle of April 2010

We realize the impact of not having state contracts and are working on possible piggybacking options for various vehicle types until the state contracts are awarded. Currently, the California Department of Transportation has approved piggybacking options and will continue to review other opportunities as they are presented, reviewed, and approved. In an effort to communicate in the most efficient and timely manner, we will update our website <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/MassTrans/Procurement-Grants-Management.html> as information becomes available.

Thank you for your continued patience in these challenging times.

Sincerely,

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