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Hello Ann,

I have reviewed Draft Two, discussed with John Rowley, and submit only the following comments:

Under the new section regarding “same service”, we wonder if a scheduled route operator applying for a “flag stop” would be considered same or not same service as a scheduled route operator serving the same facility on an hourly basis.

The 5% flexible fare increase allowed yearly on top of the initial 25% base fare seems low to us. Though not a problem in early years, the concern is that over a significant length of time, the desire to increase a flexible fare would catch up to the accrued maximum fare in a manner so as to prevent flexibility increases. Having said that, we acknowledge that at any time, an operator may choose to do a rate proposal. Also, the five-year review proposal should give a good indication of how effective the 25-5-5-5... adjustment works, and at this point, we can live with the flexible program as drafted in the second draft.

We recognize the adjustments made in response to stakeholder feedback, and we appreciate the work you have done to try to balance the rules among competing interests. Thank you and Chris for your effort; keep us in the loop.

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