HB 2017 Transit Advisory Committee 1800 SW 1st Ave., Suite #300 Portland, OR 97201

August 28, 2018

Chair Jan Campbell,

I am writing in support of the City of Milwaukie's request for \$70,000 in Regional Coordination funds to study employer shuttles to the city's three industrial districts.

Alpine Food Distributing Inc. and Alpine Carriers and Storage Inc. employs over 175 people at our facilities totaling 500,000 square feet in the North Industrial park in Milwaukie. We primarily handle food products, both for redistribution and bulk commodities, 7 days a week. We often encounter situations where employees have challenges getting to work, or being able to be hired, because the shift hours start or end at the periods public transportation is not operating.

As an employer with 24/7 operations, we do not currently have a transit option for employees who arrive and depart between the hours of 6:00 PM and 6:00 AM. I very much in support conducting a study to a viable transportation alternative to my business during off-peak hours. Such service would be a benefit to my employees, the company, and reduce the need for single occupancy vehicle trips in our space constrained industrial area.

Thank you for your consideration of Milwaukie's request. If you would like to speak further on this topic, please contact me at 503-515-7506 (my cell).

Sincerely,

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