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The Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation

Administration today announced a \$263,277 supplemental grant to

the Flint (Michigan) Transportation Authority to help absorb

increased labor costs in the door-to-door bus demonstration project.

In February, 1968, soon after the demonstration project began, the Flint City Coach Lines, Inc. and the Transportation Workers Union of America negotiated a new agreement. The agreement resulted in a \$394,916 increase in labor costs for the project period. The UMTA grant represents two-thirds of the increased cost.

The purpose of the Flint project is to determine whether a special-purpose bus pool service can economically compete with the automobile in comfort, convenience and speed.

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