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The U. S. Department of Transportation today made a grant of \$110,200 to the City of New Castle, Pennsylvania to assist the city in purchasing eight new buses.

The grant, made by the Department's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA), will cover 50-percent of the cost of the new 33-passenger transit coaches, according to Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe.

New Castle will be eligible for an additional UMTA grant of \$36,733 after the city meets its full regional planning requirements. This will bring the total Federal grant to \$146,933, or two-thirds of the total project cost of \$220,400. The local one-third share will come from city and State funds.

Administrator Carlos C. Villarreal of UMTA said the grant will "substantially improve current service in New Castle by replacing outdated buses with new modern equipment."

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