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U. S. Secretary of Transportation Claude S. Brinegar today announced an Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) supplemental grant of \$2,991,448 to the Regional Transit Service Inc. (RTS) of Rochester, New York, for the construction of a new maintenance/administration facility and the acquisition of a new fare collection system, additional maintenance equipment, and new office furniture.

"Public transportation plays a vital role in the continuing development of American cities." Secretary Brinegar said. "Our program has assisted

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in the revitalization of mass transportation nationwide on an ever-increasing scale," the Secretary added.

UMTA Administrator Frank C. Herringer pointed out that Rochester's need for a new bus storage and maintenance facility has been critical since 1971 when the original \$5,500,232 UMTA grant was made for the construction project. Since that time RTS's requirements have expanded to include a greater variety of service and maintenance equipment, a new fare collection system, an enlarged service area and a dual-fuel heating capacity required by projected shortages in natural gas.

The local one-fifth share of the project cost is being provided by the Rochester-Genesee Regional Transportation Authority and State of New York.

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