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A \$15,593,512 supplemental grant to assist in the purchase of 46 new rapid transit cars, and other improvements to PATCO's Lindenwold high speed commuter rail-line serving Philadelphia and South Jersey was announced today by Robert E. Patricelli, Administrator of the U.S. Department of Transportation Administration (UMTA).

Patricelli cited the Delaware River Port Authority's high speed rail line operation as "an example to the nation of community support of public transportation."

"The line carries more than 42,000 passengers each day with 71 cars in daily service from Philadelphia's Walnut and Locust street station through Camden to Lindenwold, New Jersey" Patricelli said. "The new cars are essential to meeting the growing demands of increased transit ridership in the area," he added.

The funds being provided are in addition to a \$23,269,400 grant made in 1973 and will assist in the purchase of the 46 new rapid transit cars, track improvements and expansions in the Lindenwold shops and yards and improvements to the Ashland facilities.

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A local source for additional information is Mr. Jim Costello, Delaware River Port Authority, Bridge Plaza, Camden, New Jersey 08101, (215) WA5-8780. (IT-03-0010-01)

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