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SECRETARY SKINNER ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF JOHN A. CLINE TO UMTA BUDGET AND POLICY POST

Secretary Samuel K. Skinner today announced the appointment of John A. Cline as Associate Administrator for Budget and Policy of the Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA).

"John has broad-ranging policy and management experience in the private sector as well as the public sector," Skinner said. "He is an important addition to the UMTA team and will contribute significantly to the achievement of its goals."

Cline, 29, joined the Bush Administration in February. Prior to that, he was Vice President of National Transit Services, Inc., a Chicago based corporation specializing in the management and operation of urban transportation systems, school bus operations, charter buses and airport ground transportation services. From 1979 to 1985, he was the owner and manager of the Brite Company, a building maintenance services company.

From 1980 to 1982, Cline served as the Chairman of the Mass Transit Board for the Northern Illinois University/DeKalb mass transit system in DeKalb, Ill. He was a member of the Illinois Board of Regents in Springfield from 1983-1984.

Cline holds a BA from Northern Illinois University and is completing a MBA, with an emphasis in labor relations. He and his wife, Krista Edwards, currently reside in Arlington, Va.

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