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DATE: August 18, 2017

ATTN: Florida Housing Finance Corporation

SUBJECT: SAIL Financing for the Construction of Workforce Housing: Route 301 Dade-Monroe Express Bonus (5 Points)

Dear Mr. Reecy,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments regarding RFA 2017-107 ("RFA").

As a supplement to our previous comment regarding Route 301 Dade-Monroe Express (the "Express") sent to the Corporation on August 15, 2017, after further review and investigation we believe there is an additional stop which warrants further consideration for eligibility. The bus stop at East Palm Drive & SW 167th Ave ("Proposed Eligible Stop") provides connection to three separate routes, the 35, 70, and 344. Residents can access the 344 route at the Proposed Eligible Stop and take a quick five minute bus ride to the West Palm Drive & NW 4th Ave stop ("Express Connection"). The Express Connection is the second stop along the Express route and qualifies under the eligible bus stops listed in the RFA. The Proposed Eligible Stop provides the fastest connection for thousands of Miami-Dade residents east of US 1 who rely on the Express for transportation to the Florida Keys (displayed in the map below). Therefore, in addition to the stop at SW 328th Street & SW 167th Avenue in our previous comment, we respectfully request that the Corporation also include this Proposed Eligible Stop (Route 344 @ East Palm Drive & SW 167th).

Below is a map from the Proposed Eligible stop (Route 344 @ East Palm Drive & SW 167th Ave) to the Express Connection (West Palm Drive & NW 4th Ave):



Thank you for the consideration and opportunity to comment on the Route 301 Dade-Monroe Express Bonus Points.

HOUSING TRUST GROUP, LLC,
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By: _____

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