

August 18, 2009

Mr. John J. Matheussen CEO, DRPA & President of PATCO Delaware River Port Authority One Port Center, 2 Riverside Drive P.O. Box 1949 Camden, NJ 08101-1949

Dear John:

I would like to offer Coriell Institute for Medical Research's support for the Transportation Investment Vision for Southern New Jersey, most especially the plans for the continuation of SJ Light Rail service from Camden to Glassboro. The current success of light rail service in Burlington County has provided incredible economic advantages to the area and similar success is anticipated for the Camden/Gloucester region. Your work in determining the best route through the alternatives analysis and planning study has produced a superior plan – you and your team are to be congratulated. Gloucester County, and other Southern New Jersey counties will be delighted to have this important asset in their communities.

Further, the Bus Rapid Transit along Routes 42, 55 and 676 and improvements to the NJ Transit 30<sup>th</sup> Street Station to Atlantic City line proposed by the Delaware River Port Authority, NJ Transit and the South Jersey Transportation Authority will have immediate success in easing congestion on our highways.

My organization and our entire eight county region anxiously looks forward to seeing the plan set in motion and completed as soon as possible.

Joseph L. Mintzer

Executive Vice President Chief Operating Officer