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Helping Washington County Communities Plan for Tomorrow

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Re: Letter of Support, MaineCare Non-Emergency Transportation Services

To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept this letter of support for the proposal of Washington Hancock Community Agency (WHCA) to be the transportation broker for Hancock and Washington Counties. We are currently completing work with WHCA on the GROWashington-Aroostook regional planning initiative. This has included collaborating with WHCA, Healthy Acadia, and Washington County: One Community on a Transportation Summit in November of 2013, creation of a brochure providing the public with information on the Rural Transit Agencies serving Washington and Hancock Counties, as well as research and sharing of creative solutions to providing transit services to rural areas such as ours. The results of these efforts can all be viewed at http://growa.org/transportation-and-housing.htm

I have every confidence that WHCA has the knowledge, expertise and track record to provide the very best service to the residents of Hancock and Washington Counties.

The Washington County Council of Governments (WCCOG) provides local and regional land use planning and technical assistance to municipalities in Washington County. Our purpose is to support local self-government; combine resources to meet challenges that may exceed the capacity of municipal government; facilitate communication and coordination among governments and agencies; identify opportunities and bring resources into the county; and provide a regional voice for the people of Washington County.

We look forward to working with WHCA to provide the very best MaineCare Transportation possible.

Sincerely,

Judy East

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