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TransIT Wins Greater Washington Region Clean Cities Coalition Initiative of the Year Award

FREDERICK, MD – At today's public information briefing, Frederick County Executive Jan Gardner announced TransIT Services of Frederick County's recognition as the *Initiative of the Year* from the Greater Washington Region Clean Cities Coalition's (GWRCCC) Fourth Annual Awards. The annual award ceremony was comprised of eight different categories – from *Fleet Manager of the Year* to *Initiative of the Year*.

TransIT won *Initiative of the Year* for implementing five fully-electric refurbished buses into the fleet and for installing ten charging stations. The project won for playing a key role in successfully implementing a significant and complex alternative fuels challenge during the past year. The fully-electric refurbished buses will reduce fuel costs and consumption and are projected to save \$20,000 per year on fuel costs. TransIT Services of Frederick County is the first transit property on the East Coast to have refurbished electric buses and charging stations on site. The project was made possible through a collaboration of four different organizations – the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), the Maryland Transit Administration (MTA), the Maryland Energy Administration (MEA), and Frederick County. TransIT was a finalist along with Montgomery County's Delivering Green Fleet Service and the Petroleum Reduction Action and Renewable Energy Action Plan within Prince George's County.

GWRCCC is a government-industry partnership in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area working to reduce petroleum consumption within the transportation sector. The Clean Cities Coalition operates 90 different coalitions across the country to reduce petroleum use. For more information about the Greater Washington Region Clean Cities Coalition, visit their website at www.gwrccc.org.

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