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Mr. Don Csaposs, Chief Executive Officer  
 Guilderland Industrial Development Agency  
 P. O. Box 339  
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**Re: Costco Public Hearing**

Dear Mr. Csaposs and Members of the Guilderland IDA:

As you know, our team at the Capital District Transportation Authority (CDTA) has worked closely with the Town of Guilderland to improve transit options near Crossgates. We have made good progress and continue to work with the Town and Pyramid Management Group (PMG) on best practices in this regard.

Crossgates is one of the busiest stops in our system and the number one retail destination for transit customers. On an average day, CDTA buses provide transportation for more than 1,000 riders to and from Crossgates. This significantly reduces the number of automobiles and emissions drawn to the area than otherwise would be the case without our services.

The addition of a Costco on the property and the implementation of our BRT Purple Line will include several community benefits – including a roundabout which is currently being constructed and scheduled for completion by the end of July. CDTA looks forward to continuing our work with Crossgates/Pyramid and the Town of Guilderland to make this project one that will be beneficial to new employees and customers.

I hope you consider our support of this project at the meetings on May 31<sup>st</sup>. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

Carm Basile  
 Chief Executive Officer

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