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County Executive Neuhaus and Federal, State, Local Officials Announce Newburgh Area Bus Service Expansion

New service doubles number of buses, cuts wait times in half starting December 15

Goshen, NY – Orange County Executive Steve Neuhaus today announced that the Newburgh Area Bus Service Expansion is scheduled to begin on December 15 with free fares through the holidays. Federal, state, and local leaders will mark the occasion with an official ribbon-cutting ceremony at the New York State Department of Transportation (DOT) Park and Ride Transit Hub on Route 17K, in Newburgh. The expanded service was made possible through the allocation of federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality funding. The Orange County Planning Department, in coordination with the Newburgh Beacon Bus Corporation, NYS DOT, and the City of Newburgh conducted a public information session at Newburgh City Hall on October 29 regarding the expanded service.

Service provider Newburgh Beacon Bus Corporation will double the number of buses from two to four operating the Newburgh Area Transit Service. Doubling the buses will provide additional service at all stops along improved Northside, Southside, and Broadway routes, substantially reducing wait times for riders. In addition, a brand new crosstown route will connect both St. Luke's Hospital campuses in Newburgh and Cornwall via Vail's Gate; the Southside route will now extend to the Newburgh Waterfront. All buses are hybrid diesel-electric vehicles. The free fare offer extends to January 4, 2015. For schedules, expanded bus route map and more, please visit Orange County's Transit Orange at www.transitorange.info.

WHAT: Official start of expanded Newburgh Area Transit Service and ribbon-cutting

WHO: County Executive Steve Neuhaus
Congressman Sean Maloney staff
State Senator William J. Larkin, Jr.
Thomas Scaglione, Mid-Hudson Regional Representative for Governor Cuomo
Bill Gorton, Regional Director, NYS DOT Region 8
Newburgh Mayor Judy Kennedy
Orange County legislators Curlie Dillard (District 4) and James Kulisek (District 6)
Newburgh Beacon Bus Corporation representatives

WHEN: Monday, December 15, 2014
11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

WHERE: NYS DOT Park and Ride Transit Hub
Route 17K, City of Newburgh

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