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## **Review Committee Decision Good for Transit Riders**

MILWAUKEE, WI — The Milwaukee Transit Riders Union applauds the Administrative Determination Review Committee of the Milwaukee County Board for dismissing the proposal to turn the management of the Milwaukee County Transit System over to MV Transportation.

"MV Transportation has a questionable track record managing transit systems far smaller than the Milwaukee County Transit System." said organizer Nick DeMarsh "There is no reason to believe that MV would have been up to the task of running a system as large as MCTS. It is far more likely that service quality and reliability would have suffered. We need only look at MV's mismanagement in Fairfield, CA where MV was cited 295 times in 2010 alone for poor performance."

While we agree that MCTS needs to improve, the obvious first step would be establishing dedicated funding to solve the long-term funding problems that have forced MCTS to cut approximately one-third of bus service since 2000, making over 40,000 jobs inaccessible to transit dependent Milwaukee County residents.

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