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U.S. Department of Transportation Evaluates South Carolina's Virtual Transit Enterprise; Finds Increase in Efficiency and Productivity

*-Report Shows Virtual Transit Enterprise Bringing Efficiencies in Administration, Routing,
Scheduling and Reporting; Provides Lessons Learned in Implementation –*

ATLANTA, March 15, 2006 – RouteMatch Software, Inc., a leading provider of transportation and logistics technology, today announced that the South Carolina Department of Transportation's (SCDOT) Virtual Transit Enterprise (VTE), a contract won by RouteMatch Software in 2003, has been successfully evaluated by the U.S. Department of Transportation's (USDOT) John A. Volpe National Transportation Systems Center for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

The evaluation and assessment, prepared for the FTA, summarizes the goals of the VTE project and its implementation. The assessment further examines how well the project meets the objectives of the sponsors and users, the effects of the projects on participants, how the technology is performing, and outlines the lessons learned. The assessment can be found on FTA's website at: http://www.fta.dot.gov/documents/final_vte_report_10-14-2005.pdf.

“While the VTE project is not yet done, this report shows laudable successes and has begun benefiting the public providers in South Carolina,” said Bill Doyle, SCDOT's VTE project manager. “This report validates our State's push to take a lead on VTE implementation, and we hope others will look to our experience and learn something valuable for their own initiatives.”

RouteMatch Software is the lead software vendor in the South Carolina project and is helping SCDOT's Mass Transit Office automate and coordinate paratransit and demand-response transportation agencies in both urban and rural areas, standardize technologies among the providers, share knowledge and information, and reduce overall procurement costs via resource sharing.

Some of the results listed in the report's findings are:

- **Efficiencies:** Savings in time to prepare and file monthly invoices; scheduling and dispatch expenses reduced between 10 and 20 percent; preparing routes reduced from 45 minutes to 10 minutes; and manifest created with a push of a button versus 45 minutes.
- **Mobility:** On-time performance improved; customer satisfaction increased.

- Lessons learned: Need strong, committed and consistent project management; conduct thorough requirements analyses; and introduce simple concepts and elements of VTE first before more complicated applications.

About the John A. Volpe National Transportation Systems Center

Part of the U.S. Department of Transportation's Research and Innovative Technology Administration, the John A. Volpe National Transportation Systems Center in Cambridge, Ma, is an internationally recognized center of transportation and logistics expertise. Through research and development, engineering, and analysis, the Volpe Center helps decision-makers define problems and pursue solutions to lead transportation into the 21st century. Additional information about the John A. Volpe Center is available at www.volpe.dot.gov. or by calling 617-494-2000.

About the Federal Transit Administration

One of 10 modal administrations within the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is the Federal Government's advocate and supporter of local public transit in communities nationwide. FTA provides financial assistance to develop new transit systems and improve, maintain, and operate existing systems throughout the United States and in Puerto Rico, Guam, and American Samoa. FTA participated in funding VTE and commissioned the Volpe Center to evaluate the first phase of the project.

Mass Transit in South Carolina

The mission of SCDOT's Mass Transit Office is to support public providers through statewide transportation planning, research, technical assistance and training; administering state and federal financial assistance programs; evaluating existing and proposed programs; and coordinating public transportation. Mass transit is provided in 33 of the State's 46 counties by 18 public providers. Several providers cover multi-county service areas and offer services that extend beyond their service area.

About RouteMatch Software

RouteMatch Software is a proven leader in transportation and logistics technology and services, with specific expertise in demand-response and paratransit systems. Targeting private and public sector transportation providers, the company's products address routing, scheduling, dispatching, billing, reporting, fixed route integration, and transportation coordination. Founded in 1999, the company is headquartered in Atlanta, GA, and its software is currently in use at more than 145 sites in 34 states across the U.S. Additional information about RouteMatch Software products is available at www.routematch.com or by calling RouteMatch Marketing Services toll-free at 888-840-8791.

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