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Comment Received From: Ralph Knight Submitted On: 3/5/2018 Docket Number: 18-MISC-02 **School Bus Replacement** Hello Jennifer, Was nice talking with you this afternoon. I see you are putting a lot of hard work into this project. I feel your ideas on how to work this project is right on target! 1. I feel the funds should be divided equally among the four regions and replace the oldest school buses in that region. This should be the best way to hit the areas that really are in need of new buses. 2. The CHP list in the pass years has had major issues with what is really out there on the road. Reaching out to the school districts will help fill in the problems with CHP's reports. Make the application process very simple for the districts. Most transportation departments are running on a very tight string today with man power.

3. I would like to see most being Electric buses due to the facts that most buses can fit into a operation very good. It is just that feeling in the gut that 100 miles of fuel feels better than 100 miles of battery! There are now more great running Electric buses on the road today than ever before. We now see most of the major bus companies now building GREAT Electric School buses today. It will work and do a great job on lots of routes, but don't forget that in some areas that CNG or Propane could be better way to go.