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RMA Response to Greyhound Announcement

Nisku, AB, July 10, 2018 – The Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) is disappointed with the recent announcement by Greyhound to discontinue services to our rural communities; however, we recognize that limited use of these services has resulted in a non-viable business model for Greyhound.

“The recent announcement by Greyhound to discontinue services creates a significant gap in connecting our communities. This will result in increased obstacles for rural Albertans in accessing to health care and other personal or professional services. Though we recognize that some municipalities have prioritized the provision and funding of local regional transportation, the viability of these services is of constant concern and increased pressure will now exist to ensure Albertans have access to transportation options from all areas of the province.

The recent announcement by Greyhound creates opportunity for other carriers to fill the gap in the provision of services, both passenger and freight. The RMA will continue to advocate for the need for supports that enable rural Albertans to connect with needed services and encourage the provincial and federal governments to identify innovative solutions that promote rural Alberta as a viable place to live and work. “

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