



California Association for Coordinated Transportation (CalACT) Recommended Vehicle Inspections

The FTA requires that grantees in urban areas with populations of more than 200,000 purchasing ten or more buses or grantees in urbanized areas with populations of less than 200,000 purchasing 20 or more buses are required to have an in-plant inspector throughout the manufacturing process.

Bus purchases not meeting the above criteria only require a visual inspection and road test upon delivery. Grantees must still complete proper post-delivery certifications showing that the vehicles meet contract specifications.

We strongly recommend that your agency engage independent inspection services regardless of whether it is required or not. The cost of these services can generally be included as part of the acquisition cost of your vehicle by the FTA.

The Cooperative has conducted a solicitation and acquired favorable pricing for you from the following firms offering inspection services:

- Vehicle Technical Consultants (VTC): Brent Sumrall (951) 805-9217, bsumrall@ca.rr.com. Inplant Inspections \$30/hr. Pre-delivery acceptance and program management \$40/hr.
- Solutions for Transit: Bobby Kuhn (209) 487-0249. solutionsfortransit@comcast.net In plant Inspections with Buy America, Purchaser Requirements and Post Delivery Reports \$38/hr. Dealer Vehicle Inspections, Quality Assurance Audit with Pre-delivery Acceptance \$38/hr. Or a \$350 (plus travel) per bus all inclusive.
- Transit Resource Center: Edward Pigman, (407) 977-4500, tranrc@earthlink.net. Inplant and California Dealership Inspection \$35/hr.
- First Transit: Ryan Minges, (513) 419-3278, ryan.minges@firstgroup.com Inplant Inspections \$35/hr. Buy America Post Deliver Report \$35/hr plus travel costs, \$105/hr all inclusive.

Additional details regarding the inspection services offered can be obtained from these firms. Copies of services proposed are available upon request from CalACT at jacklyn@calact.org or (916)920-8018.