December 17, 2009

The Honorable Bill Nelson
United States Senate
Landmark Two
225 East Robinson Street, Ste 410
Orlando, Florida 32801

Subject: Reintroduction of Amtrak Passenger Service on the FEC Corridor in Florida

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United States House of Representatives, District 24
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