



Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority

Charter Bus Policy

49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 604 states: "If a recipient desires to provide any charter service using FTA equipment or facilities the recipient must first determine if there are any private charter operators willing and able to provide the charter service which the recipient desires to provide. To the extent that there is at least one such private operator, the recipient is prohibited from providing charter service with FTA funded equipment or facilities unless one or more of the exceptions in Sec. 604.9(b) applies."

The Authority has identified private charter operators that are willing and able to provide charter service in the Wave Transit service area. It has further been determined that one of the exceptions in Sec. 604 (b) is applicable to Wave Transit.

Sec. 604 (b) exception - Sec. 604.6:

Government officials on official government business:

- (a) A recipient may provide charter service to government officials (Federal, State, and local) for official government business, which can include non-transit related purposes, if the recipient:
 - (1) Provides the service in its geographic service area;
 - (2) Does not generate revenue from the charter service, except as required by law; and
 - (3) After providing such service, records the following:
 - (i) The government organization's name, address, phone number, and e-mail address;
 - (ii) The date and time of service;
 - (iii) The number of passengers (specifically noting the number of government officials on the trip);
 - (iv) The origin, destination, and trip length (miles and hours);
 - (v) The fee collected, if any; and
 - (vi) The vehicle number for the vehicle used to provide the service.
- (b) A recipient that provides charter service under this section shall be limited annually to 80 charter service hours for providing trips to government officials for official government business.

Wave Transit hereby adopts a policy specifically restricting any and all charter service; except in allowable situations specified in 49 CFR Sec. 604 (b).

ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING:

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William Bryden
Chair



George Dolan
Secretary

