

Erie Metropolitan Transit Authority 127 East 14th Street Erie, Pennsylvania 16503

An Earth Day Statement from EMTA CEO, Jeremy Peterson

"The Erie Metropolitan Transit Authority is committed to taking bold action in response to the climate change crisis, and we are proud to join the Federal Transit Administration's Climate Action Challenge. Our commitment is to reduce the carbon footprint of our buses, implement sustainable practices throughout our organization, and promote sustainable transportation options to our community.

To achieve our emissions reduction goals, we will continue to replace our older diesel buses with Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) which produces 20% fewer tailpipe greenhouse gases and virtually no particulate pollution (smog). We will also pursue the use of renewable energy sources, energy-efficient technologies, and sustainable materials in our facilities and operations. We will also explore new and innovative ways to reduce the amount of waste generated by our organization.

In addition to these efforts, we are committed to promoting sustainable transportation options to our community. This includes increasing awareness of transit options, expanding our service routes to underserved areas, and partnering with employers to offer transit incentives to their employees. We will also encourage the use of active transportation options, such as biking and walking, by improving infrastructure, increasing community education, and developing partnerships with local organizations.

As the challenges of climate change continue to grow, the Erie Metropolitan Transit Authority is proud to lead the way in promoting sustainable transportation and reducing emissions in our community. Our commitment to the Federal Transit Administration's Climate Action Challenge is a testament to our dedication to creating a sustainable future for all. Happy Earth Day Erie!"