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## Open Letter to the UBC Vancouver Community

**Re: Status of UBC Bus Terminal**

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As of 9:00 a.m. October 28, 2009 senior TransLink officials have advised UBC that the annual funding levels authorized by the Mayors' Council for Transportation will not allow TransLink to meet its obligations to fund a wide variety of capital projects throughout the region, including UBC's below-grade bus terminal. TransLink will be able to proceed with the surface trolley loop on University Boulevard.

UBC will work with TransLink and the campus community to explore viable options for the diesel bus terminal that meet the needs of our students, faculty, staff, residents and visitors.

The work that has been undertaken to date in the University Boulevard Neighbourhood was required for the neighbourhood plan, including the location of the future Student Union Building on University Square. Utilities have been relocated to ensure that servicing for these new building sites could be provided efficiently and effectively. There has been no construction of the tunnel or the below-grade diesel bus terminal. The only expenditures specifically associated with those facilities are design fees, which are in the range of \$400,000. UBC will be discussing compensation for these expenditures with TransLink.

We will keep the university community informed and involved in these important transportation planning processes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nancy Knight'.

Nancy Knight  
Associate Vice President, Planning