Pace & CTA Service Coordination Plan

Pace and the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) have been working together to improve service coordination and to reduce service duplication in corridors where both transit agencies operate service. As part of the CTA's Crowding Reduction Plan, the CTA has decided to eliminate or coordinate service in several corridors where Pace also provides service. As a result, Pace will implement or is proposing to implement service changes in mid-December 2012 on a number of routes. Additionally, alternative service is available on Pace in several of the corridors where the CTA has decided to discontinue or modify CTA bus routes.

Pace Service Changes Effective Mid-December 2012

Route 270 Milwaukee Avenue

The CTA has decided to eliminate Route 56A North Milwaukee which operates weekday service between the CTA Blue Line Jefferson Park Transit Center and Devon/Avondale during rush hours and Milwaukee/Imlay at all other times. As an alternative, Route 56A customers can use Pace Route 270 which operates daily service along Milwaukee Avenue between the CTA Blue Line Jefferson Park Transit Center and Golf Mill. Certain weekday trips on Route 270 serve AON Service Corporation and certain weekday and Saturday trips are extended to Glenbrook Hospital.

- Pace will modify its weekday rush hour stop pattern on Route 270 so that customers will be able to board and exit the bus in both directions when traveling between the CTA Blue Line Jefferson Park Transit Center and Milwaukee/Devon during rush hours. It should be noted that Route 270 will continue to only stop at posted bus stop signs. Flag stops are not permitted on this route.
- Additional morning rush hour service will be added to Route 270.
- There will be no change to Saturday or Sunday service on Route 270.

Route 317 Westchester

The CTA has decided to eliminate Route 17 Westchester which operates weekday rush hour service between the CTA Blue Line Forest Park Transit Center and Westchester. Pace Route 317 currently operates the weekday off-peak, Saturday and Sunday service in this corridor.

- Pace Route 317 will assume operation of the weekday rush hour service in this corridor. Route 317 will operate at the same frequency and provide the same number of trips as CTA Route 17 currently does.
- There will be no change to Saturday or Sunday service on Route 317.

Route 349 South Western

The CTA has decided to eliminate Route 49A South Western which operates weekday rush hour service between 79th/Western and 135th/Western. As an alternative, CTA Route 49A customers can use Pace Route 349 which operates daily service along Western Avenue between 79th/Western and the Pace Harvey Transportation Center.

- Pace Route 349 will continue to operate weekday rush hour trips between 79th/Western and the Pace Harvey Transportation Center. However, additional weekday rush hour service will be added between these two locations.
- Additional weekday late evening service will also be added to Route 349.
- There will be no change to Saturday or Sunday service on Route 349.

Route 381 95th Street

In the 95th Street corridor, Pace and CTA have agreed to operate Pace Route 381 and CTA Route 95W West 95th on a coordinated schedule.

- The span and frequency of weekday service on Route 381 will be modified.
- Upon request, Pace Route 381 will stop at any CTA Route 95W posted bus stop sign between the CTA Red Line 95th/Dan Ryan Station and Western Avenue.

Proposed Pace Service Changes Mid-December 2012

Route 353 95th – River Oaks/Homewood

As a result of CTA service changes on CTA Route 111 Pullman/111th/115th, Pace is proposing a restructuring of the Chicago portion of Pace Route 353 95th – River Oaks/Homewood to reduce service duplication and to improve travel time between the south suburbs and the CTA Red Line 95th/Dan Ryan Station. Any person wishing to comment on the proposed restructuring of Route 353 may present views orally at any of the 13 budget public hearings that will be held throughout the region or by submitting written material on or before the last date of the hearings, which is Wednesday, October 31, 2012, or by submitting a comment online by using the Public Hearing Comment Form.

Alternative Service Options on Pace for CTA Routes 64, 69, 81W & 90N:

Discontinued CTA Route: Route 64 Foster/Canfield Alternative Pace Service: Route 209 Busse Highway

The CTA has decided to eliminate Route 64 Foster/Canfield which operates weekday service in a clockwise loop from the CTA Blue Line Harlem Station via Foster Avenue and Canfield Avenue. As an alternative, CTA Route 64 customers along Higgins Road and Oriole Avenue can use Pace Route 209 Busse Highway which operates weekday and Saturday service between the CTA Blue Line Harlem Station and the Metra UP-Northwest Line Des Plaines Station. There will be no change to weekday or Saturday service on Route 209.

Discontinued CTA Route: Route 69 Cumberland/East River Modified CTA Route: Route 81W West Lawrence Alternative Pace Service: Route 331 Cumberland – 5th Avenue

The CTA has decided to eliminate Route 69 Cumberland/East River which operates weekday service in a clockwise direction in the AM and in a counter-clockwise direction in the PM from the the CTA Blue Line Cumberland Station via Cumberland Avenue and East River Road. The CTA has also decided to modify CTA Route 81W so that it no longer operates between the CTA Blue Line Cumberland Station and Lawrence Avenue via Cumberland Avenue on weekdays. As an alternative, CTA Route 69 and CTA

Route 81W customers along Cumberland Avenue can use Pace Route 331 Cumberland – 5th Avenue which operates weekday and Saturday service between the CTA Blue Line Cumberland Station and the Brookfield Village Hall. There will be no change to weekday or Saturday service on Route 331.

Discontinued CTA Route: Route 90N North Harlem Alternative Pace Service: Route 423 Linden CTA – The Glen – Harlem CTA

The CTA has decided to eliminate Route 90N North Harlem which operates weekday and Saturday service between the CTA Blue Line Harlem Station and Touhy/Overhill. As an alternative, Route 90N customers can use Pace Route 423 Linden CTA – The Glen – Harlem CTA which operates weekday service between the CTA Blue Line Harlem Station and the CTA Purple Line Linden Station. There will be no change to weekday service on Route 423 nor will Saturday service be added to this route.

Check back in mid-November/early December for more detailed information.