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## **SunLine Receives Outstanding Marks from the FTA**

**(Thousand Palms, CA)** February 26, 2014 • SunLine Transit Agency Board of Directors received the results of the Triennial Review conducted by consultants for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). General Manager Lauren Skiver told the Board that these results demonstrate a very solid operation here at SunLine.

The Triennial Review occurs once every three years and is one of the FTA's management tools for examining grant management, programs and operational practices. The review concentrated on policies, procedures and practices employed by Agency staff. SunLine received one minor deficiency this year, but was much improved from the four deficiencies it received in 2010.

"The excellent review confirms SunLine Transit Agency is committed to operational excellence," states Lauren Skiver. The Agency continues to move forward with high standards and ethical practices instituted under the leadership of Lauren Skiver and the direction of the SunLine Board of Directors. Chairman of the Board, Councilmember Glenn Miller states, "This is exactly the type of results the Board expects. My colleagues and I have worked tirelessly to make SunLine a top notch organization; this just confirms it."

The comprehensive review by federal officials looks at many operational areas including: Legal; Financial Management and Financial Capacity; Technical; Maintenance; Procurement; Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE); Planning/Program of Projects; Title VI; Public Comment on Fare and Service Changes; Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); Safety and Security; Drug Free Workplace; Drug and Alcohol Program and Equal Employment Opportunities (EEO).

More information about SunLine can be found at [sunline.org](http://sunline.org). • Media inquiries contact Norma Stevens at 760-250-5366 or e-mail [nstevens@sunline.org](mailto:nstevens@sunline.org).

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*SunLine Transit Agency is a joint powers authority formed in 1977 to operate the Coachella Valley's public transportation system. SunLine offers fixed route bus service and curb-to-curb paratransit for the mobility impaired. Its fixed route and paratransit vehicles travel more than 4 million miles per year, covering over 619 bus stops located throughout a 1,120 mile-service area, carrying approximately 4.82 million riders. SunLine Services Group regulates three taxi franchises who provide taxi services throughout the Valley. SunFuels alternative fueling station offers compressed natural gas and hydrogen for SunLine and the public 24 hours a day, seven days a week. To learn more, please visit [sunline.org](http://sunline.org).*