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Mr. Paul Siller  
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Dear Mr. Siller:

Premier Ralph Klein asked me to respond on his behalf to your letter of January 5, 2005, requesting that the province identify the lead ministry responsible for dealing with special needs transportation.

As you stated in your letter, the transportation needs of seniors and people with disabilities cross the mandates of several ministries, and no single ministry has the sole responsibility for this issue. Alberta Children's Services has offered to take the lead to initiate an inventory of provincial programs related to transportation and support resources, and I look forward to the results of this review.

However, additional work will have to be done before a lead ministry can be designated for special needs transportation.

Sincerely,

  
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Minister

cc: Honourable Ralph Klein  
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