STATE IMPACT
RESTORING GULF COAST PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE

TRAIN-ONLY SCENARIO:
A. Capital and Station Rail Improvements
Cost to Mississippi: $15.977 million
Benefit to Mississippi: $34.500 million
Benefit/ Cost ratio: 2.16:1

B-1. Operation of Train Impact (without grant)
Cost to Mississippi: $2.330 million (without grant)
Benefit to Mississippi: $6.086 million
Benefit/ Cost ratio: 2.61:1

B-2. Operation of Train Impact (with federal R&E grant)
Cost to Mississippi: $1.010 million (with federal R&E grant)
Benefit to Mississippi: $6.086 million
Benefit/ Cost ratio: 6.02:1

C. Tourism
10% increase in tourism = $242 million annual impact
20% increase in tourism = $485 million annual impact

New Orleans receives 700,000 foreign visitors each year, all without cars and accustomed to rail travel. These guests represent a huge untapped market for our MS cities.

Total Impact to Mississippi
1 year, 10% increase in tourism, without grant for operating
Cost: $18.31 million
Benefit: $282.58 million
Benefit/Cost ratio: 15.43:1