

March 9, 2009

Director Peter R. Orszag Eisenhower Executive Office Bldg 725 17th Street NW Washington DC 20503

Re: Certification Under Section 1607 of the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act:

Pursuant to Title XVI, section 1607 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Pub. L. 111-5 (February 17, 2009)), hereinafter ARRA, entitled "Additional Funding Distribution and Assistance of Appropriate Use of Funds," I, John Hoeven, Governor of the great State of North Dakota, hereby certify that:

- 1. The State of North Dakota will request and use funds provided by ARRA; and
- 2. Funds will be used to create jobs and promote economic growth.

Signed this 9th day of March, 2009

John Hoeven – Governor, State of North Dakota