



TED STRICKLAND
GOVERNOR
STATE OF OHIO

July 16, 2009

The Honorable Raymond H. LaHood
Secretary
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary LaHood:

Pursuant to Title XV, Subtitle A, section 1511 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Pub. L. 11-5 (Feb. 17, 2009)) (ARRA), I, Ted Strickland, Governor of the State of Ohio, hereby certify (Certification #8) that the attached infrastructure investments funded with amounts appropriated by ARRA under the following headings have received the full review and vetting required by law and that I accept responsibility that such investments are appropriate uses of taxpayer dollars:

- “Highway Infrastructure Investment” (to the Federal Highway Administration)
- “Transit Capital Assistance”
- “Fixed Guideway Infrastructure Investment”
- “Capital Investment Grants” (to the Federal Transit Administration)

I further certify that the specific information required by section 1511 concerning each such investment (a description of the investment, the estimated total cost, and the amount of ARRA funds to be used) is provided on Ohio’s Recovery Act website, www.recovery.ohio.gov, and on the Ohio Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and is available to the public at <http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/TransSysDev/ProgramMgt/STIP/Pages/default.aspx> (also linked to [Recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov)).

As we continue to amend the STIP to include projects funded using ARRA funds, we will submit additional section 1511 certifications. This certification includes projects within the Brooke-Hancock-Jefferson Transportation Study (BHJ, Weirton, WV/Steubenville, OH), Eastgate Regional Council of Governments (Eastgate, Youngstown, Ohio), KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission (KYOVA, Huntington, WV), Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission (LACRPC, Lima, Ohio), and Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA, Cleveland, Ohio) areas. I understand that my state or local agency may not receive ARRA infrastructure investment funding unless this certification is made and posted.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ted Strickland". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ted Strickland
Governor