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The Honorable Raymond L. LaHood
Secretary
c/o Joel Szabat, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Transportation Policy
United States Department of Transportation
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Washington, D.C. 20515

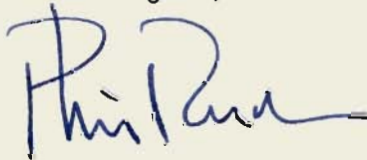
Dear Secretary LaHood:

Your April 20, 2009 letter and accompanying guidance on the requirements of Section 1201 of The *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009* provided Tennessee an opportunity to re-assess and possibly amend its Section 1201(a) maintenance of effort (MOE) certification as outlined in the original guidance provided with your February 27, 2009 letter.

Based upon the review and analysis of Commissioner Gerald Nicely of the Tennessee Department of Transportation, we have determined that no changes are necessary to the level of expected funding from those amounts submitted in my initial March 18, 2009 letter to you.

We genuinely appreciate the opportunity to review our earlier planning-level estimates of funding for the reporting period. Please let me know if you need additional information.

Warmest regards,



Phil Bredeesen