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March 12, 2009

The Honorable Ray LaHood  
Secretary  
c/o Joel Szabat  
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy  
United States Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast  
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Certification under Section 1201 of the American Recovery and  
Reinvestment Act

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to Division A, Title XII, section 1201 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Pub. L. 111-5 (Feb. 17, 2009)) (ARRA), I, Sarah Palin, Governor of the State of Alaska, hereby certify to the Secretary of the Department of Transportation (DOT) that the State of Alaska will maintain its effort with regard to State funding for the types of projects in DOT "covered programs" funded under the ARRA.

I understand that if the State of Alaska is unable to maintain its effort with regard to State funding for the types of projects in DOT "covered programs" funded under ARRA, the State of Alaska will, thereafter, be prohibited by the Secretary of Transportation from receiving additional limitation on obligations for federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs that occur after August 1 for fiscal year 2011.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarah Palin", written in a cursive style.

Sarah Palin  
Governor

The Honorable Ray LaHood  
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cc: John Katz, Director of State/Federal Relations and Special Counsel,  
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Michael Nizich, Chief of Staff, Alaska Office of the Governor  
Karen Rehfeld, Director, Office of Management and Budget, Alaska Office  
of the Governor

State Funded Projects that may have Expenditures  
from February 17, 2009 to September 30, 2010

|                           | Appn/Project<br>Funding | Jan. 2009<br>Project<br>Balance |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Aviation                  | 63,050,000              | 51,951,049                      |
| Surface<br>Transportation | 795,987,777             | 721,300,974                     |
| Transit                   | 12,550,000              | 12,231,684                      |