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The Honorable Raymond H. LaHood, Secretary United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary LaHood,

I am pleased to provide you the State of Montana's second American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Section 1511 certification. This certification is for the second round of transportation and infrastructure investment projects, including the initial round of transit capital assistance projects.

These projects are listed in Montana's 2008-2012 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The public can view the STIP at: www.mdt.mt.gov/recovery under the "Approved ARRA STIP Amendment" link.

As we continue to amend the STIP to include additional projects funded by ARRA transportation dollars, we will submit additional Section 1511 certifications.

The attached subsequent certifications will be available on the Montana Department of Transportation's website for purposes of transparency and accountability. Montana is committed to getting every Recovery and Reinvestment Act dollar on the ground and putting people to work as quickly as possible.

Should you have any questions, please contact Jim Lynch, Montana Department of Transportation Director at (406)444-6201.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER

Governor

Attachment

CERTIFICATION UNDER SECTION 1511 OF THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) OF 2009:

Pursuant to Title XV, Subtitle A, Section 1511 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Pub. L. III-5 – Feb. 17, 2009) ("ARRA"), I, Gov. Brian Schweitzer, hereby certify that the infrastructure investments funded with amounts appropriated by ARRA under the heading: "Highway Infrastructure Investment" to the Federal Highway Administration and "Transit Capital Assistance" to the Federal Transit Administration have received the full review and vetting required by law and that I accept responsibility that such investment is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars. 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 the Montana Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and is available to the public at www.mdt.mt.gov/recovery and linked to Recovery.gov.

I understand that my State may not receive ARRA infrastructure investment funding unless this certification is made and posted.

Brian Schweitzer, Governor

Signed this 28th day of May, 2009