

## U.S. House of Representatives

## Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## Dear Governor:

Since enactment of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (P.L. 111-5) (Recovery Act), the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure has performed vigorous oversight to ensure that the funds provided are invested quickly, efficiently, and in harmony with the job-creating purposes of the Recovery Act.

The critical information provided in your reports has proved essential to the Committee's efforts to monitor implementation of the Recovery Act and understand how States, metropolitan planning organizations, and public transit agencies have delivered transportation and infrastructure projects and created urgently needed employment in the tight timeframes set forth in the Act. Members of the Committee know how much effort is required to compile these reports, and we thank you for your efforts.

Throughout 2010, we request that you provide the Committee with updated specific transparency and accountability information by the <u>20<sup>th</sup></u> <u>day of each month</u>. Data in these reports should include cumulative information regarding what has occurred as of the final day of the previous month.<sup>1</sup>

If you have any questions regarding this request, please have your staff visit our website or contact Joseph Wender, Counsel to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, at (202) 225-4472 or Joseph.Wender@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,

ames L. Oberstar, M.C.

Chairman

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The first report of 2010 is due January 20, 2010. Data in this report should include cumulative information regarding what has occurred as of December 31, 2009.