March 18, 2009

The Honorable Raymond LaHood
Secretary of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: Certification under Section 1201 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)

Dear Mr. Secretary,

Pursuant to Title XII, section 1201 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Pub. L. 111-5 [Feb. 17, 2009]) ("ARRA"), I hereby certify that the State of Georgia will maintain its efforts regarding State funding for the types of projects in U. S. Department of Transportation (DOT) "covered programs" funded under ARRA. The enclosed list of DOT "covered programs" identifies the amount of funds the State plans to expend from State sources from February 17, 2009 to September 30, 2010, for the types of projects under the DOT "covered programs" funded under ARRA. At this time Georgia’s General Assembly is currently considering DOT funding for FY 2010, which could impact the state’s spending plans. The budget will not be finalized until early April.

I understand that if the State of Georgia is unable to maintain the level of funding identified in this list of the types of projects in the DOT "covered programs" funded under ARRA, the Secretary of Transportation will thereafter prohibit the State of Georgia 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,

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LIST OF DOT “COVERED PROGRAMS” UNDER ARRA AND THE SPECIFIC GEORGIA FUNDING AMOUNTS FOR THE TYPES OF PROJECTS UNDER THE DOT “COVERED PROGRAMS”

The following list is an estimate of state expenditure amounts under ARRA “covered programs.” These estimates represent the planned non-bond state expenditures for types of projects under the ARRA “covered programs” and are based on the best information available at this time.

- “Supplemental Discretionary Grants for a National Surface Transportation System” – Office of the Secretary of Transportation – To the extent that the state provides funding in this federal category, it is included in the “Highway Infrastructure Investment” category.

- “Supplemental Funding for Facilities and Equipment” – Federal Aviation Administration – To the extent that the state provides funding in this federal category, it is included in the “Grants-in-Aid for Airports” category.

- “Grants-in-Aid for Airports” – Federal Aviation Administration - $1.6 million. State Funds are limited to the match for Federal Grants actually received.

- “Highway Infrastructure Investment” – Federal Highway Administration - $359 million.

- “Capital Assistance for High Speed Rail Corridors and Intercity Passenger Rail Service” – Federal Railroad Administration – To the extent that the state provides funding in this federal category, it is included in the “Transit Capital Assistance” category.

- “Capital Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation” – Federal Railroad Administration – Not applicable.

- “Transit Capital Assistance” – Federal Transit Administration - $7.9 million. State Funds are limited to the match for Federal Grants actually received.

- “Fixed Guideway Infrastructure Investment” – Federal Transit Administration – To the extent that the state provides funding in this federal category, it is included in the “Transit Capital Assistance” category.

- “Capital Investment Grants” – Federal Transit Administration – To the extent that the state provides funding in this federal category, it is included in the “Transit Capital Assistance” category.

- “Supplemental Grants for Assistance to Small Shipyards” – Maritime Administration – Not applicable.