January 31, 2012

Mr. Ray LaHood
Secretary of Transportation
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary LaHood:

Pursuant to Title XV, Subtitle A, Section 1511 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111-5 (February 17, 2009)) ("ARRA"), I, Andrew M. Cuomo, hereby certify that the infrastructure investment, listed in the attachments to this certification and dated January 12, 2012 and funded with amounts competitively awarded to New York State by ARRA under the heading "High Speed Intercity Passenger Rail Program," has received the full review and vetting required by law, and 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 such investment (a description of the investment, the estimated total cost, and the amount of ARRA funds to be used) will be available to the public at http://www.recovery.ny.gov, and linked to www.recovery.gov.

Sincerely,

ANDREW M. CUOMO

Attachment

C: Joel Szabat, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy