The Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr.
President of the Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. President:

I am pleased to transmit to Congress the final report required by Section 1201(c) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) detailing our progress, as of January 31, in awarding the funding made available to the Department. The report, which is in the form of an Excel spreadsheet, is accompanied by a document summarizing the Department’s methodology in developing the report, and containing definitions of terms used within the report. A CD-ROM with electronic copies of both files is also enclosed.

Since our last report in August 2011, the impact of the Department’s Recovery Act program has grown from roughly 82,400 to about 113,300 direct onsite job-years. Also included in this 1201(c) report are indirect job numbers, which include more than 178,700 indirect job-years and nearly 363,800 job-years of total employment (direct, indirect, and induced) from the beginning of the program in 2009 through the reporting date of January 31, 2012.

We made every effort to assist the award recipients in meeting their reporting obligations under section 1201(c) by providing online reporting tools to facilitate data entry and by working with recipients to help them understand the reporting requirements. Information on grantees from the Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, Federal Railroad Administration, Maritime Administration, and TIGER Grant program are contained in this report.

A similar letter and a copy of the report have been sent to the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sincerely yours,

Ray LaHood

Enclosure