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The Honorable Ray LaHood  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary LaHood:

Consistent with Section 1602 of the Recovery Act (*Preference for Quick-Start Activities*), the U.S. Department of Transportation will assess whether a project is ready to proceed rapidly upon receipt of a TIGER Discretionary Grant, as evidenced by the inclusion of the project in the relevant State, metropolitan, and local planning documents, or a certification from the appropriate agency that the project will be included in the relevant planning document prior to award of a TIGER Discretionary Grant.

This letter certifies that Missouri Route 364-Phase III is included within the region's 2010 to 2013 Transportation Improvement Program. The program includes funds for right-of-way, engineering and other services needed to advance this project as additional funds become available. This letter also certifies that East-West Gateway Council of Governments, the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the St. Louis region, will amend the TIP if the application submitted by the Missouri Department of Transportation and St. Charles County is selected by the USDOT for TIGER Discretionary Grant funding necessary to complete this vital transportation project in the St. Louis region.

Secretary LaHood, thank you for your consideration of this application and continued ongoing initiatives to provide responsive and cost effective services to the citizens of St. Charles County, the greater St. Louis region, and the State of Missouri.

Sincerely,

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