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May 27, 2015

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If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at Keith.Melton@arlingtontx.gov or phone at (817) 459-6553.

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Sincerely,

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If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at cesar.molina@cityofcarrollton.com, or phone at (972) 466-3200.

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May 28, 2015

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

I am writing today in order to express my support for the North Central Texas Council of Government's (NCTCOG) application for funds from the United States Department of Transportation 2015 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant application for the North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration project.

The North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration project is an important part of NCTCOG's efforts to improve the transportation information system in order to better share and integrate transportation and data resources to reduce congestion, improve communication, and more quickly respond to traffic situations while being interoperable with future technologies. The project will also build a regional intelligent transportation system to connect additional agencies and vehicles within our regional partnerships and jurisdictions. The project will cover areas of environmental justice concern by focusing on reducing idling vehicles to reduce emissions and promote economic vitality through improved safety and operations of the existing transportation system. This system will serve to improve open communication among key regional transportation partners to improve incident response and provide accurate traveler information and identification of alternative routes.

It is a great challenge to provide complete information on congestion and traffic conditions in the nation's fourth largest region, encompassing nearly 7 million people. This critical project will enhance and effectively leverage the federal investment in roadway and transit improvements that have been made recently in DFW by ensuring the system operates in an effective and integrated fashion.

I fully support the 2015 TIGER Grant application submitted by NCTCOG for the North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration project. Thank you not only for your time and consideration of this request but also for your dedication toward strengthening America's transportation infrastructure system. Please let me know if I may ever be of assistance to you.

Marc Veasey Member of Congress

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Dear Honorable Foxx:

I am writing in support of the North Central Texas Council of Government's (NCTCOG) North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration project to be considered for the United States Department of Transportation 2015 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant.

The North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration project will unify several operating platforms, and will improve shared resources by providing data exchange and system balance between the various portals. This project will build a regional network, climinate gaps, and link related transportation agencies. This project will also focus on reducing idle vehicles, reducing emissions, and promoting safer operation standards within the existing transportation structure.

The facets of the North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration project will provide information, and will enhance the roadways and transit methods that have recently been created in the Dallas – Fort Worth metroplex. It will positively benefit constituents within the 32nd district, and will assist the nearly seven million residents that reside in the entire North Texas region.

Thank you again for your full and fair consideration of the NCTCOG's application. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Pete Sessions Member of Congress

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The project proposes to integrate a regional network by utilizing technology to fill critical gaps and connect regional agencies to increase vehicular traffic along the major roadways and thoroughfares in the region. Additionally, connecting regional transportation partners through an integrated communications network will improve incident response for first responders, and provide commuters with "real-time" information so that alternative routes or other transportation modes can be utilized quickly. Finally, this project proposes to enhance billions of dollars of roadway and public transportation investments that have been made in D/FW by eliminating inefficiencies within the existing transportation communications network.



In conclusion, I believe this project meets the established qualifying criteria for the TIGER grant program, and DART fully supports the RTC's efforts towards securing additional funds. If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at (214) 749-2544 or DART's Federal Relations Manager, Eron Linn, at 214-749-2707.

Sincerely,

Gary C. Thomas

President/Executive Director





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If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at sdonohue@dfwairport.com or phone at 972-973-5200.

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Sean Donohue

Chief Executive Officer





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If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at jcline@dcta.net, or phone at (972) 221-4600.

Sincerely,

James C. Cline, Jr. P.E.

President

Denton County Transportation Authority

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If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at (aionzo.linan@fortwerthtexas.gov), or phone at (817) 392-7861.

Sincerely,

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If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at (bmoen@friscotexas.gov), or phone at (972) 292-5450.

Sincerely,

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If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at pluedtke@garlandtx.gov, or phone at (972) 205-2432.

> Paul Luedtke Director of Transportation

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Sincerely.

Ramiro Lopez
Assistant City Manager
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June 1, 2015

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

I am the Chief Operating Officer for LBJ Infrastructure Group (LBJIG) LLC, a special purpose vehicle company for the IH635 Managed Lanes Project in Dallas, Texas. The Project is a Comprehensive Development Agreement for a 52 year Concession between Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and LBJIG dated as of September 4, 2009.

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P. Jason Sipes, P.E. Chief Operating Officer LBJ Infrastructure Group LLC

About LBJ Infrastructure Group

LBJIG is led by Cintra US, a world leader in private-sector development of transportation infrastructure, and Meridiam Infrastructure, a global public-private partnership investor and developer of public facilities. LBJIG also includes the Dallas Police and Fire Pension System. The contractor for the project is Trinity Infrastructure, a collaboration between Ferrovial Agroman and Texas-based Webber. The LBJIG firms together employ more than 2,500 Texans and will integrate more than 160 other Texas companies and their employees into the project. LBJIG works collaboratively with the Texas Department of Transportation, our client, transportation planners, local and regional officials to provide innovative solutions for major congested corridors, all in the name of economic development and quality of life throughout north Texas.



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Matthew Sneed, P.E., PTOE

Traffic Engineer City of McKinney





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Sincerely,

Stan Pickett Mayor

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If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at (email), or phone at (682) 334-5470.

Sincerely

Luis Vazquez Chief Operating Officer NTE Mobility Partners

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June 3, 2015

The Honorable Anthony Foxx Secretary of Transportation United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx:

The Regional Transportation Council (RTC) has submitted its application for approximately \$10 million, to the 2015 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant Program for the North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration Project (Project). This letter is to voice support for that application.

The RTC serves as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth area and has prepared an application that meets the needs of the TIGER program. The Project will create jobs, stimulate the economy, and improve regional mobility and multi-modal transportation options. The Project seeks to integrate systems to better share resources allowing data exchange, system operations, system balance between modes and interoperability with future technologies.

The Project will fill critical gaps, connect additional agencies and implement a technology to advance connected vehicles in the region. Its focus will be on reduction in idling vehicles to reduce emissions and promote economic vitality through improved safety and operations of the existing transportation system. These connections will open communication to key regional partners to leverage resources for improved incident response, traveler information and identification of alternative routes or modes.

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If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at ehemphill@ntta.org or phone at 214-224-2166.

Sincerely,

Eric Hemphill, PE

Director of System and Incident Management

The NTTA hus contributed \$3.4 billion to the North Texas region for non-talled mobility projects.





Harry A. LaRosiliere MAYOR

May 29, 2015

The Honorable Anthony Foxx US Secretary of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

RE: NCTCOG TIGER Grant Application - Regional ITS Network

Dear Secretary Foxx:

On behalf of the citizens of the City of Plano, I offer my support to the application for funding under the 2015 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant Program, submitted by the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG).

The NCTCOG application requests approximately \$10 million, for the North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration Project. This project will build a regional ITS network that will fill in critical gaps that hinder communication between agencies, thereby allowing them to share real-time traffic data with each other. The project will also provide for the deployment of the infrastructure necessary to support the use of the managed lanes by connected vehicles, along the IH 30 pilot corridor. By providing this ITS connectivity between agencies, this project will have a significant impact on regional mobility.

I am pleased the NCTCOG is taking this step to enhance the communication between the transportation agencies. I am confident this project will enhance the overall quality of life and economic livelihood of the region. I therefore take great pride in strongly recommending that you approve the NCTCOG application for TIGER funds.

Thank you for your consideration of this application. If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this project, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Harry LaRosiliere MAYOR

P.O. Box 860358

Plano, Texas 75086-0358

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April 31, 2015

The Honorable Anthony Foxx Secretary of Transportation United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx:

I am writing to request the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) review and support the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) and its approximately \$10 million, 2015 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant Program application for the North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration project.

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If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at (Dave.Carter@cor.gov), or phone at (972) 744-4320.

Sincerely.

Dave N. Carter, PE. PTOE Transportation Director City of Richardson

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The Transportation Policy Body for the North Central Texas Council of Governments (Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Dallas-Fort Worth Region)

June 1, 2015

The Honorable Anthony Foxx Secretary of Transportation United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx:

On behalf of the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), which serves as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Dallas-Fort Worth area, I am pleased to support the 2015 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant application from the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) for the North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration Project.

The North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration Project will integrate systems to better share resources allowing data exchange, system operations, system balance between modes and interoperability with future technologies. This application meets the needs of the TIGER program with a project that will create jobs, stimulate the economy, and improve regional mobility and multimodal transportation options.

The project will help build the regional Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) network, fill critical gaps, connect additional agencies and implement a technology to advance connected vehicles in the region. The project will also cover areas of environmental justice concern, focus on idling vehicles to reduce emissions and promote economic vitality through improved safety and operations of the existing transportation system. These connections will open communication to key regional partners to leverage resources to improve incident response, traveler information and identification of alternative routes or modes.

This project is consistent with the <u>Mobility 2035: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas – 2014 Amendment</u>. All federally funded surface transportation projects must also be included in the Transportation Improvement Program. If the project is successful in receiving funds, the Regional Transportation Council will support its inclusion in the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas.

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The Honorable Anthony Foxx Page Two

June 1, 2015

Again, the RTC supports NCTCOG's TIGER grant application for the North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration Project. Thank you for your time and consideration. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Morris, P.E., Director of Transportation for NCTCOG, at (817) 695-9241.

Sincerely,

Mike Cantrell

Chair, Regional Transportation Council Commissioner, Dallas County

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cc: Michael Morris, P.E., Director of Transportation, NCTCOG





FORT WORTH TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

1600 E. Lancaster Avenue ■ Fort Worth, Texas 76102-6720 ■ (817) 215-8700

May 21, 2015

The Honorable Anthony Foxx Secretary of Transportation United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx:

I am writing to request for the United States Department of Transportation's (USDOT) and your review and support for the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) and its approximately \$10 million, 2015 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant Program application for the North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration project.

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If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at pballard@the-t.com, or phone at (817) 215-8704.

Sincerely,

Paul J. Ballard President/CEO

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May 28, 2015

The Honorable Anthony Foxx Secretary of Transportation United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx:

I am writing in support of the North Texas Regional Transportation Council's (RTC's) application to the 2015 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant Program for the North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration project.

As you are aware, the financial cost of congestion in the U.S. was \$121 billion in 2011 and wasted 2.9 billion gallons of fuel. To address these congestion and environmental challenges going forward, regions will need to better utilize technology and system integration to more effectively operate the transportation system. The North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration project will integrate systems to better share resources allowing data exchange, system operations, system balance between modes and interoperability with future technologies. Intelligent transportation system (ITS) technology and the emerging automated and connected vehicle technologies are critical elements of future transportation system. This project, under the RTC's leadership, will create a leading example for Texas and for the nation of implementation and use of these technologies to improve mobility and reduce impacts on the environment.

If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at (dennisc@tamu.edu) or phone (979) 845.1713.

Very truly yours,

Dennis L. Christiansen, P.E.

Agency Director





June 3, 2015

The Honorable Anthony Foxx Secretary of Transportation United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx:

The Regional Transportation Council (RTC) is writing to request support from the United States Department of Transportation's (USDOT) for approximately \$10 million 2015 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discrotionary Grant Program application for the North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration project.

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If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me at andrew.oberlander@txdot.gov, or phone at (214) 320-4438.

Sincerely,

Andrew R. Oberlander, P.E.

TxDOT Dallas - District Transportation Operations Engineer

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May 28, 2015

The Honorable Anthony Foxx Secretary of Transportation United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx:

I am writing to request review and support from the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) for the approximately \$15 million 2015 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant Program application for the North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration project which is being submitted by the North Central Texas Council of Governments' (NCTCOG) Regional Transportation Council (RTC).

The NCTCOG-RTC serves as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW) area and has prepared an application that meets the needs of the TiGER program with a project that will create jobs, stimulate the economy, improve regional mobility and multi-modal transportation options. The North Texas Regional Connection through Technology and System Integration project will integrate systems to better share resources allowing data exchange, system operations, system balance between modes and interoperability with future technologies.

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If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact me by phone at 817-370-6514 or via e-mail at brian.barth@txdot.gov.

Brian R. Barth, P.E. Fort Worth District Engineer

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