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The Honorable Elaine L. Chao U.S. Secretary of Transportation U.S. Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Ave SE Washington, D.C. 20590

RE: INFRA Grant Application for the I-44 & US-75 project

Honorable Secretary Chao:

As the "voice of trucking" in Oklahoma, we represent the unified interests of our member companies that literally have a front row seat to the needs of infrastructure across our state. Having polled our members, the Oklahoma Trucking Association, believes this project meets the desired goals stated for Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA). This important project is pressing, and we are hopeful the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) will be granted the funds to cover this project as it serves the greatest good for all Oklahomans. The increased safety, relief of congestion, and economic benefit of reconstructing the Interstate 44 & US-75 project would be a long-term benefit for our state and trucking industry.

The Oklahoma Trucking Association strongly supports the Interstate 44 & US-75 project for its vital contribution to the region, state and nation. The proposed project supports a network that is critical to Oklahoma's economy and freight movement. We strongly urge your support of full funding for the project. Thank you for your consideration and please feel free to call on us should you have questions or if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

Jim Newport CEO/President Oklahoma Trucking Association





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