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The Honorable Pete Buttigieg, Secretary
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: PIDP Application for the MKARNS Barge Safety and Efficiency Improvement Project:

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

The purpose of this letter is to assure you of the Muskogee City-County Port Authority's ability to fulfill its financial commitment, in the amount of \$4,000,000.00 to cost share the MKARNS Barge Safety and Efficiency Improvement Project. The Port Authority is financially self-sufficient, receiving its revenues from long-term land lease rentals; throughput fees based on barge, rail and truck tonnage; and, railroad switching fees paid by the Union Pacific Railroad.

The Port Authority's financial condition is independently audited annually. Upon your request, I would be happy to provide the Audited Financial Statements of the Muskogee City-County Port Authority for the year ended June 30, 2023, which is too large to submit as part of the PIDP application. As an indication of the Port Authority's financial condition, I have attached herewith the Port Authority's unaudited Balance Sheet and Income Statement for the period ending June 30, 2023.

In addition, I want to further assure you of the Port Authority's ability to administer the PIDP grant funds, if awarded. Over the years, the Port Authority has administered more than twenty federal grants totaling \$14 million.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the Port Authority's financial condition or its ability to administer federal grant awards.

Sincerely,



Fred Hogle, Treasurer
Muskogee City-County Port Authority