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## STATE OF ALABAMA

March 16, 2009

The Honorable Raymond H. LaHood, Secretary  
United States Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.  
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary LaHood:

Please find enclosed the State of Alabama's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) Section 1201 Certification.

Attached to this certification is a statement that identifies the amount of funds the State of Alabama plans to expend from State sources for the period from February 17, 2009 through September 30, 2010 for the types of projects funded by the ARRA appropriation.

The attached certifications will be available on the Alabama Department of Transportation's website for purposes of transparency and accountability. Should you have any questions please contact Transportation Director Joe McInnes at 334-242-6311.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Riley".

Bob Riley  
Governor

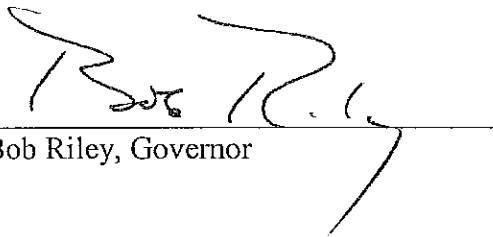
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ENCLOSURES

**CERTIFICATION UNDER SECTION 1201 OF  
THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT:**

Pursuant to Title XII, Section 1201 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Pub. L. 111-5 [February 17, 2009]) ("ARRA"), I, Bob Riley, Governor of the State of Alabama, hereby certify to the Secretary of Transportation that the State of Alabama will maintain its efforts with regard to state funding for the types of projects in DOT "covered programs" funded under ARRA. The attached list of DOT "covered programs" identifies the amount of funds the state plans to expend from state sources from February 17, 2009, to September 30, 2010, for the types of projects under the DOT "covered programs" funded under ARRA.

I understand that if the State of Alabama is unable to maintain the level of funding identified in this list of the types of projects under the DOT "covered programs" funded under ARRA, the State of Alabama will thereafter be prohibited by the Secretary of Transportation from receiving additional limitation on obligations for federal-aid highway and highway safety construction projects that occur after August 1 for fiscal year 2011.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bob Riley', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

Bob Riley, Governor

Signed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March 2009.

ATTACHMENT

**Section 1201 – Maintenance of Effort  
The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act  
Highway and Transit Infrastructure Investment**

Pursuant to Title XII, Section 1201 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, the State of Alabama must certify to the Secretary of Transportation that the state will maintain its level of effort with regard to state funding for the types of projects that are funded by ARRA. The Governor must identify the amount of funds the State planned to expend from State sources as of February 17, 2009, for the period from February 17, 2009 through September 30, 2010, for the types of projects funded by the ARRA appropriation.

**Highways** - Table 1 illustrates the level of state funding over the last four fiscal years as it relates to the types of projects that are funded by ARRA. The activities include preliminary engineering (PE), right-of-way acquisition (RW), utility relocation (UT), and construction (CN) for federal-aid projects that require a state match and projects funded with 100% state funds. State funds in the amount of \$200 million to \$240 million is typically spent on the types of projects that are to be funded by ARRA. The State of Alabama anticipates a similar annual investment of state funds during the 2009 and 2010 fiscal years. The state will maintain its level of effort with regard to state funding, at the level of \$200 million to \$240 million for the types of projects that are funded by ARRA. A lesser amount may actually be spent if the level of regular federal-aid and/or state match is reduced for the upcoming years or if state gas tax revenues drop due to lower fuel consumption.

<b>MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT STATE FUNDS AUTHORIZED BY SCOPE FISCAL YEARS 2005 - 2008 COST IN THOUSANDS</b>				
<b>SCOPE</b>	<b>FISCAL YEAR</b>			
	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING	\$6,625	\$6,279	\$4,212	\$6,489
RIGHT OF WAY	\$4,061	\$8,755	\$4,250	\$4,775
UTILITIES	\$10,078	\$3,431	\$6,536	\$5,526
CONSTRUCTION	\$174,419	\$226,365	\$202,699	\$212,202
<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>\$195,183</i>	<i>\$244,830</i>	<i>\$217,697</i>	<i>\$228,992</i>

ALDOT records indicate that from October 1, 2008 to February 17, 2009, ALDOT had obligated \$71,059,000 in state funds for the types of projects that are funded by ARRA. Therefore, it is anticipated that ALDOT will obligate from \$128,941,000 to \$168,941,000 during the remainder of the fiscal year from February 17, 2009 to September 30, 2009, and **ALDOT plans to obligate from \$328,941,000 to \$408,941,000 of state funds during the**

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**period from February 17, 2009 through September 30, 2010.** This level of funding is consistent with the level of state funding obligated over the last four years on the types of projects that are funded by ARRA.

The list of projects for which the state funds may be used can be found on the Alabama Department of Transportation web page under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Stimulus Plan) link (<http://www.dot.state.al.us/stimulus2009/>). This list is titled Regular Funding Contract Projects From March – 2009 to September – 2010. This list contains projects for which state funds will be used to match regular federal-aid projects and projects that will be funded with 100% state funds.

**Transit** – In the State of Alabama, transit funding is provided through federal and local resources. There are no state funding sources for transit; therefore, **the amount of funds the State planned to expend from State sources as of February 17, 2009, for the period from February 17, 2009 through September 30, 2010 on transit activities is \$0.00.**

**Airports** – The Alabama Department of Transportation, acting through its Aeronautics Bureau, provides publicly owned airports with state matching funds for airport planning and construction projects funded by the Federal Aviation Administration's Airport Improvement Program (AIP). The matching ratio for federal AIP projects is 95% federal, 2.5% state, and 2.5% local. Based on this ratio, **the amount of state funds estimated that will be spent for matching grants to airports, as of February 17, 2009, for the period of February 17, 2009 through September 30, 2010, is \$1,600,000.00.**