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Re: I-80 Corridor Advisory Committee

On behalf of The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, I want to thank you and your colleagues for addressing the transportation issues that are facing the Commonwealth, and I assure you that we are eager to implement the dedicated funding solution which you have put in place. As promised in Chairman Mitchell Rubin's and my July 12th letters to the Chairmen of the House and Senate Transportation Committees, we are now pleased to coordinate the formation of an I-80 Corridor Advisory Committee which will serve as an essential part of the process of analyzing the impact of tolling the existing interstate through the region, and further act as a vehicle through which the Commission can receive your input and that of your constituents.

This Committee will be comprised of all House and Senate members as well as U.S. Congressmen whose districts I-80 dissects or abuts. All members of this Committee are receiving this same letter, and are listed in an enclosed attachment for your reference. We welcome all of you onto the committee, and we earnestly seek your participation in this important project.

One of the keys to success of this project will be open and productive communication. In an effort to achieve that, we have instructed our staff to begin developing effective communication tools which will include:

- Executive, steering, and public meetings along the I-80 Corridor.
- Work and management plans for legislative, public involvement, and environmental work groups.
- An I-80 tolling project website which will have all project documents posted to it (i.e., meeting minutes, process outlines, reference documents, correspondence, etc.).
- Specific information suitable for use on individual legislative websites.

It is our hope that these initiatives (as well as others to follow) will enable the Turnpike Commission to maintain both transparency and accountability throughout the project planning process. Once again, we welcome you to the I-80 Corridor Advisory Committee, and we look forward to working with you. We will be contacting your office in the very near future with a date for our initial meeting.

Very truly yours,



Joseph G. Brimmeier
Chief Executive Officer