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The Honorable Ray La Hood, Secretary of Transportation

Office of the Secretary

US Department of Transportation

1200 New Jersey Ave SE

Washington, DC 20590

RE: Improved U S 70 with Freight Railway Underpass: Valliant (McCurtain), Oklahoma

Tiger III Grant Application from Oklahoma Department of Transportation

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am the President of Triad Transport, Inc of McAlester, Ok. and currently the Chairman of the Oklahoma Trucking Association. I have been in the trucking business in southeast Oklahoma as an owner since 1977 and familiar with the area in Valliant, Ok.

Our company trucks travel this highway going from Ashdown, Ar to Phoenix, Az. It would be so much safer and create less fuel consumption if there was an overpass over the Texas Oklahoma and Eastern Railway. U S 70 is being improved and becoming a needed route for East West travel in southeast Oklahoma.

This project should also have an exit ramp over the railway to enter the plant there. There are numerous trucks in and out of it all day long.

Your consideration is appreciated.

John Titsworth