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July 13, 2010

The Honorable Ray LaHood
Secretary
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am writing to renew my request for information regarding contract audits performed at the Department of Transportation.

On April 9, 2010, the Subcommittee sent you a letter requesting information regarding the number and type of contract audits performed for the Department of Transportation, including whether these audits are performed by other agencies or contractors. I requested that the Department provide this information by May 1, 2010.

On May 12, 2010, the Subcommittee staff received an email from your staff explaining the response was going through the clearance process.

On June 7, 2010, Subcommittee staff sent an e-mail to Department staff to ask about the status of the Department's response but received no reply. Subcommittee staff then called Department staff requesting a return call but the phone call was not returned.

On June 18, 2010, Department staff replied that the final edits were being made and that the response should be ready by Monday, June 21, 2010.

On June 24, 2010, Subcommittee Staff sent another email requesting a status and left a voicemail but received no reply.

Today, more than two months after the original deadline for response, the Subcommittee still has not received the requested information from the Department. I request that you provide the information requested by the Subcommittee as soon as possible, but in no case later than July 26, 2010.

Please contact Tesa Lanoy with the Subcommittee staff at (202) 228-3978 with any questions.

Sincerely,



Claire McCaskill
Chairman
Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight

cc: Scott Brown
Ranking Member

Enclosure