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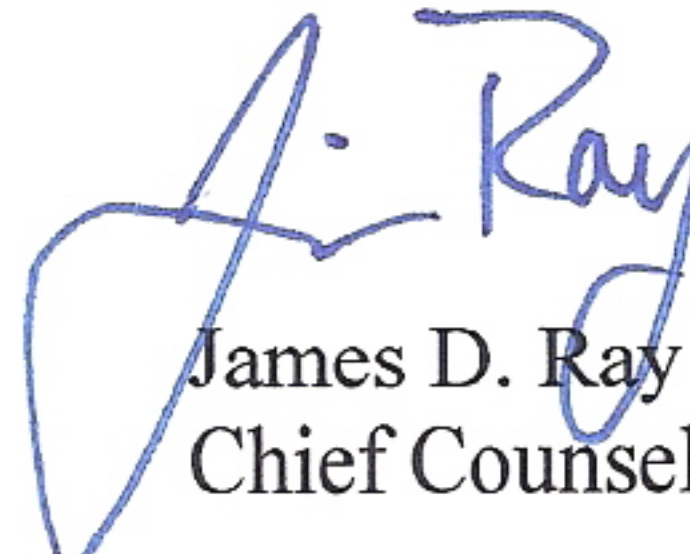
Dear Ms. Melvin:

Thank you for submitting an application from North America's Supercorridor Coalition, Inc. (NASCO) to be considered for the Corridors of the Future Program (CFP). The Department of Transportation (DOT) received 38 Phase 1 proposals, which made it a difficult task for us to select the proposals to advance to the next phase of the CFP selection process. While your proposal was not selected for Phase 2, it represents significant efforts by NASCO to develop innovative solutions to address National security and congestion problems on a regional level. It also highlights the importance of States working together, and with the private sector, to advance critical corridor projects.

I applaud your efforts to facilitate the development of the North American Facilitation of Transportation, Trade, Reduced Congestion and Security Project (NAFTRACS), which you presented in your proposal. The NAFTRACS project, as proposed, would allow for the efficient management of the entire length of the NASCO Corridor and would incorporate existing and planned transportation infrastructure into an international, integrated and secure, multi-modal system. Improving the operational efficiency of the Corridor would help to secure trade and further the Corridor's economic growth and prosperity. The project is a good example of a growing trend in which the public sector is partnering with the private sector in the development and financing of infrastructure solutions.

I appreciate your taking the time to participate in the CFP and encourage you to continue to develop the ideas presented in your proposal.

Sincerely,



James D. Ray  
Chief Counsel

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