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The Honorable Donald J. Trump
President of the United States
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Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to you on behalf of the American Public Transportation Association (APTA), which represents over 1,500 public and private sector member organizations, constitutes a \$68 billion industry that directly employs 420,000 people and supports millions of private sector jobs. APTA is in support of the Administration's One Federal Decision Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to coordinate environmental reviews and accelerate the delivery of major infrastructure projects. We appreciate your leadership on project delivery issues, including through Executive Order 13807, this MOU, and other Administration efforts to advance the promise of greater regulatory efficiency to develop transportation infrastructure projects.

We commend your focus on increasing coordination among agencies responsible for environmental reviews. Implementing the MOU with sustained input and collaboration with project sponsors and other stakeholders will be key to reducing the amount of time involved in the federal permitting process, while maintaining sound community engagement and sustainable environmental outcomes.

We look forward to productively engaging your Administration on this issue and other issues that will improve our nation's critical public transportation infrastructure, including increasing infrastructure investment to restore public transit systems across the country to a state of good repair and meet growing demands.

Sincerely,

Paul P. Skoutelas
President and CEO

cc: The Honorable Elaine L. Chao, Secretary of Transportation