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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Timothy M. Kaine, Governor of Virginia
Members of the General Assembly

FROM: Pierce R. Homer 

DATE: June 2, 2008

SUBJECT: Allocation of Transportation Funds

In accordance with Item 427 C1 of Chapter 847 of the 2007 Acts of Assembly, this memorandum will certify that all available federal transportation funds will be used in accordance with applicable federal law and in support of the transportation policy goals included in that Chapter.

On June 19, 2008, the Commonwealth Transportation Board will consider adoption of the FY 2009-2014 Six-Year Improvement Program (SYIP) as well as the annual budgets of the Department of Transportation and Department of Rail and Public Transportation. The working drafts of these budgets and the SYIP were presented to the Board in April and six public hearings on the SYIP were held: April 16, April 21, April 23, April 24, April 30, and May 14, 2007.

For FY 2009, \$177.6 million in federal funds have been budgeted for highway maintenance purposes, including one time special bridge funding. This is the fourth year in which federal funding has been allocated for maintenance. Maintenance of Virginia's existing infrastructure is our first priority and this step has been taken to ensure that we can continue to meet our growing resource requirements for maintenance.

Information on the working draft of the SYIP and presentation of revenue and budget information is available at the Department of Transportation's website, www.vdot.virginia.gov and the Department of Rail and Public Transportation's website, www.drpt.virginia.gov. When the Board approves the Six-Year Improvement Program and the annual budgets of the Departments of Transportation and Rail and Public Transportation, this information will also be available online.