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Honorable Bill Shuster  
Chairman  
House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee  
2165 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Shuster:

On behalf of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), I would like to congratulate you on becoming Chairman of the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee.

I have very much appreciated the opportunity, during your many visits to Los Angeles County, to have a shared dialogue on the major transportation challenges facing our nation. As we have discussed previously, most recently on October 1, 2012 at our headquarters, Metro is eager to continue working with you and your colleagues on the committee to advance our Board-approved policies and projects that will serve to enhance mobility in Los Angeles County and across our country.

Like you, Metro has a deep and abiding interest in the solvency of the Highway Trust Fund and more broadly, a vigorous federal commitment to surface transportation. Please do not hesitate to view our agency as a resource as you work as Chairman of the Transportation & Infrastructure Committee towards our shared goal of strengthening America's transportation infrastructure. We would be more than pleased to provide data from Los Angeles County [which we consistently shared with your predecessors] that would support the argument that the federal government's commitment; whether on goods movement, highway, commuter rail or transit issues, should be enhanced and made more effective.

Again, it has been a genuine pleasure having you visit us numerous times over the past several years. Metro deeply appreciates all of your past efforts as a senior member of the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee in support of our America Fast Forward initiative. We look forward to continuing our work together in the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress as you take the helm as chairman of this powerful and essential committee.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (213) 922-6888 if Metro may be of any assistance to you in the future.

Sincerely,

Arthur T. Leahy  
Chief Executive Officer