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The Honorable Arlen Specter  
711 Hart Building  
Washington, DC 20510

RE: The U.S. Route 30/Harrisburg Pike Gateway Improvement Project

Dear Senator Specter:

Thank you for your efforts in securing \$1,400,000 in the Fiscal Year 2008 Transportation Appropriations Bill for the U.S. Route 30/Harrisburg Pike Gateway Improvement Project in Manheim Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. This congested interchange is in dire need of improvement, and your support for the project will greatly assist in its completion.

The U.S. Route 30/Harrisburg Pike interchange is experiencing growing safety concerns, delays, and high peak travel volumes. Currently, the interchange has an average delay of 88.6 seconds that is projected to almost double to a delay of 160.7 seconds by 2029, under current conditions. The redesign of the interchange will allow it to safely handle the current traffic and projected future traffic volumes.

Accordingly, we strongly support your efforts to improve this interchange and appreciate your time and attention in securing funding for this critical transportation infrastructure improvement project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David K. Nikoloff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

David K. Nikoloff  
President