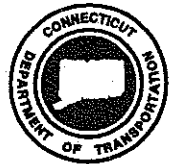


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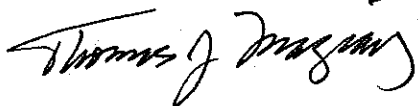
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TO: Rural Regional Planning Organization (RPO) Directors

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SUBJECT: American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) Funds

This is a follow-up to my letter dated March 24, 2010 concerning ARRA funds. In this letter, options were presented on how RPOs could program any potential unexpended ARRA funds made available to them after bids have been opened.

To clarify, the direction in the above-referenced letter was concerning the ARRA **urban** funds assigned to each RPO based on population, as mandated by federal legislation. In contrast, the ARRA **rural** funds were state funds, which the Department chose to distribute equally to each Rural RPO. Therefore, any balance remaining in this program that is not used for approved change orders on existing ARRA rural funded projects by August 15, 2010 will be utilized by the Department on an existing state project located in a rural area. This will ensure that every dollar of ARRA funds is spent and not returned to U.S. Department of Transportation.

I regret any misunderstanding the March 24, 2010 letter may have caused.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Rural Regional Planning Organization (RPO) Directors

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