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Mr. John S. Roberts, Director
State Budget Office
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Dear Director Roberts:

Pursuant to Section 385 of Public Act 84 of 2015, this letter contains the Michigan Department of Transportation's (MDOT's) report of activities related to the Gordie Howe International Bridge (GHIB) project (previously known as the New International Trade Crossing [NITC] project) for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, or October 1, 2014, through September 30, 2015.

During that time, MDOT responded to GHIB-related requests for information from Governor Snyder's office, legislative offices, Transport Canada, Windsor-Detroit Bridge Authority (WDBA), United States Department of Transportation, and other federal agencies. We have continued to participate in meetings, where needed, in order to facilitate these requests, and work with WDBA to implement the June 2012 Crossing Agreement.

Additionally, MDOT engaged in the following activities during the year:

- Real estate activities, including environmental due diligence, title and appraisal work, surveying work, execution of a Land Acquisition Consultant (LAC) contract, open houses for property owners and tenants in the project footprint, and property acquisitions.
- Scope development and procurement process for the provision of general engineering consulting services and an Environmental Owner's Representative consultant.
- Development and release of a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to design, build, finance, operate and maintain the GHIB crossing, as necessary to ensure that the RFQ conformed to Federal-aid eligibility requirements; MDOT also coordinated with the WDBA and FHWA on development of the Request for Proposals, to be released in FY 2016.
- Continued geotechnical investigations, i.e. soil-boring.
- Pre-relocation planning activities with public and private utilities located within the project footprint.

Canada provided payment to MDOT during FY 2015 for invoice billings through August 2015. Enclosed is a summary of GHIB-related expenditures by MDOT during FY 2015. The funding source for these expenditures is a mixture of federal highway and Canadian funds.

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There were no GHIB-related payments or expenses incurred by MDOT pursuant to contracts with any vendors, experts, or consultants that were not reimbursable.

If you have any questions, please contact either me or Frank Raha, Director, Office of Governmental Affairs, at (517) 373-3946.

Sincerely,



Kirk T. Steudle
Director

Enclosure

cc: Governor Snyder
Lt. Governor Brian Calley
Senate Majority Leader
Senate Minority Leader
Speaker of the House
House Minority Leader
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Gordie Howe International Bridge Project
 Fiscal Year 2015 Expenditures by MDOT

Description	Expenditures
Staff Costs	\$ 2,284,461.86
Travel/Meal Expenses	\$ 17,503.01
Vehicle/Equipment Usage	\$ 790.35
Fees and Compensation (Consultants)	\$ 2,053,945.80
Telephone/Other	\$ 76,642.23
Total Expenditures	\$ 4,433,343.25
Amount Reimbursable	\$ 4,433,343.25
Amount Funded by State Transportation Revenues	\$ -