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The Honorable Frank Hornstein, Chair
House Transportation Finance Committee
471 State Office Building
Saint Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Michael Beard, GOP Lead
House Transportation Finance Committee
207 State Office Building
Saint Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Ron Erhardt, Chair
House Transportation Policy Committee
543 State Office Building
Saint Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Linda Runbeck, GOP Lead
House Transportation Policy Committee
295 State Office Building
Saint Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Scott Dibble, Chair
Senate Transportation and Public Safety
Committee
111 Capitol
Saint Paul, MN 55155-1606

The Honorable John C. Pederson
Ranking Minority Member
Senate Transportation and Public Safety
Committee
27 State Office Building
Saint Paul, MN 55155-1206

Dear Legislators:

I am pleased to present MnDOT's annual report on the Urban Partnership Agreement, as required by Laws of Minnesota 2008, Chapter 306, Section 6.

The UPA is a series of projects funded by the U.S. Department of Transportation and the State of Minnesota aimed at improving traffic conditions by reducing congestion on Interstate 35W, Highway 77/Cedar Avenue and in downtown Minneapolis through transit, road pricing, technology and telecommuting. Now complete, the projects are providing commuters with more transportation choices, less traffic congestion and reduced commute times on some of Minnesota's busiest roadways.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this report, or you can contact Nick Thompson, director of MnDOT's Policy, Safety and Strategic Initiatives Division at Nick.Thompson@state.mn.us or 651-366-3152.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Zelle
Commissioner

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