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

The Honorable Linda Runbeck, GOP Lead
House Transportation Policy Committee
295 State Office Building
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The Honorable Michael Beard, GOP Lead
House Transportation Finance Committee
207 State Office Building
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The Honorable Scott Dibble, Chair
Senate Transportation and Public Safety Committee
111 Capitol
Saint Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Ron Erhardt, Chair
House Transportation Policy Committee
543 State Office Building
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The Honorable John C. Pederson
Ranking Minority Member
Senate Transportation and Public Safety Committee
27 State Office Building
Saint Paul, MN 55155

RE: Stillwater Lift Bridge Endowment Account Report

Dear Legislators:

The attached report on the Stillwater Lift Bridge endowment account provides information on the account, as required by Minn. Stat. 165.15, subd. 8. It also provides an update on MnDOT's activities under the Stillwater Lift Bridge management plan.

The purpose of the endowment account is to cover the operating and maintenance costs of the Stillwater Lift Bridge once it is converted to a bicycle and pedestrian use bridge. Since work has begun on the St. Croix River Crossing project, MnDOT has deposited \$3 million and WisDOT deposited \$1.5 million into the endowment account, which brings the fund total to \$4.5 million.

Please contact me with any questions you may have, or you may contact Kristen Zschomler at kristen.zschomler@state.mn.us or 651-366-3633.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Zelle
Commissioner

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