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The Honorable Tim Kelly, Chair  
House Transportation Policy & Finance Committee  
559 State Office Building  
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The Honorable Frank Hornstein, DFL Co-Lead  
House Transportation Policy & Finance Committee  
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The Honorable Ron Erhardt, DFL Co-Lead  
House Transportation Policy & Finance Committee  
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The Honorable Scott Dibble, Chair  
Senate Transportation and Public Safety Committee  
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The Honorable John C. Pederson  
Ranking Minority Member  
Senate Transportation and Public Safety Committee  
27 State Office Building  
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RE: 2013-2014 Biennial Report on Bridge Inspection Quality Assurance

Dear Legislators:

I am pleased to provide the report on Bridge Inspection Quality Assurance. This report is required under Minnesota Statute 165.03, Subdivision 8.

The report highlights three components of bridge inspection and quality assurance, which include the following:

- Bridge inspection quality assurance and quality control procedures and recent changes to any of those procedures
- Findings from the bridge inspection quality reviews during the past two years and any actions taken as a result of the reviews
- Results of Federal Highway Administration bridge compliance reviews and any actions taken in response to those review findings.

Improving quality is a continuous process in MnDOT's quest to create and maintain a safe, efficient, and sustainable transportation system. In partnership with the Federal Highway Administration and county and municipal agencies, MnDOT seeks to provide the best available technology and training to bridge inspections staff throughout the state. Collectively, these practices help ensure the safety of Minnesota's transportation system.

Please contact me if you have questions about this report, or you may contact Beverly Farraher in the Bridge Office at [beverly.farraher@state.mn.us](mailto:beverly.farraher@state.mn.us) or at 651 366-4507.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Zelle  
Commissioner

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