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VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable James C. Justice, Governor
State of West Virginia
1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East
Charleston, WV 25301

Dear Governor Justice:

It is my understanding that the lowest bid on the I-70 bridge rehabilitation and replacement project as part of the Roads to Prosperity program has come in \$100 million **over** the estimate included in the Division of Highways' project list. I have serious concerns that this may be a trend- and that the actual cost of the individual projects across the state may be far greater than originally predicted in the project list. If the trend continues, this will greatly limit the number of projects that can be completed with funding through the Roads to Prosperity program.

I sincerely hope that the public was not misled on the costs and number of the projects that the state will be able to complete under the Roads to Prosperity program. If the project costs were underestimated to make it appear that more projects would be included in the Roads to Prosperity program than what you knew to be accurate, I believe that you and your administration should be held accountable for either intentionally, or negligently, deceiving the public simply to elicit support for the road bond vote. In either case, it rises to the level of maladministration by you in the office of Governor.

I think it is imperative that the state is transparent on spending on projects included in the Roads to Prosperity program, especially in light of the fact that the public overwhelmingly voted for this proposal based on the information that was provided by your administration. In light of these concerns, I respectfully request comparisons of the lowest bids on all projects that were expected to be paid for by the Roads to Prosperity Bond vote with the original estimate for that project that was included on the project list.

I would appreciate an immediate and thorough review of this situation and a response to this inquiry as soon as possible. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Timothy R. Miley".

Timothy R. Miley
Minority Leader

cc: The Honorable Thomas Smith, Cabinet Secretary, Department of Transportation