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Michael W. Hancock, P.E. Secretary

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Dear Colleague,

Subject: Workforce Development and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Capacity Building Workshop

The U.S. Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, would like to invite you to participate in a 1 ½ day workshop entitled "Partnering with Communities on Major Projects to Assure Success in DBE Participation, Diversity in Employment and Workforce Development". The workshop will be held as follows:

Place: Galt House Hotel Rivue Side – 2nd Floor

140 N. 4<sup>th</sup> Street Louisville, KY 40202

Dates & Times: November 9, 2010 - 8:00a.m. - 5:00p.m.

(Breakfast & Lunch will be provided)
Reception: -2<sup>nd</sup> Floor 5:00p.m. - 6:30p.m.

November 10, 2010 - 8:00a.m. - 11:30a.m

(Breakfast will be provided)

The purpose of the workshop is to introduce a unique process of community engagement developed by the Missouri and Wisconsin Departments of Transportation to develop, train and sustain a diverse workforce and to provide contracting opportunities for minority and women owned DBE businesses, as it relates to the Ohio River Bridges Project. The workshop is an ideal forum for those ready, willing and capable of participating on major construction projects and for community based organizations that have a stake in fostering economic growth within their communities.

During the course of the workshop, the participants will break into small groups to discuss topics and issues important to the local stakeholder community.



Please note <u>this invitation is not transferable</u>. In order to ensure productive and interactive dialogue, the number of participants has been limited.

To register, please go to <a href="www.dbeprogress.com">www.dbeprogress.com</a>. If you have any questions regarding the workshop, please email Ms. Kellie Watson at <a href="www.kellie.Watson@ky.gov">www.kellie.Watson@ky.gov</a> or contact Ms. Kellie Watson at (502) 564-4610. Hotel accommodations with the Galt House can be made at the following website: <a href="https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome\_ei\_new&eventID=3091591">https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome\_ei\_new&eventID=3091591</a>. The government rate is \$101 per night, and government identification must be provided.

Sincerely,

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