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Dear Tiffany:

My heartiest congratulations go out to the [North America's Superhighway Coalition](#), its Board of Directors, to you its Executive Director, and to its generous, farsighted, public and private members, donors, supporters and friends all over North America and beyond. Their leadership can never be adequately repaid.

I cannot thank you enough for your gracious E-mail of today to us, your former fellow professional colleagues, on this major project. I deeply appreciate the note, the most valuable information it contained, and I am sure my fellow colleagues feel the same way.

Your note goes a long way toward helping the former I.H. 35 Corridor Coalition consulting team at David A. Dean & Associates, P.C. and Dean International, Inc., to fully comprehend the long-term, lasting enormity and historical significance of our joint, strenuous mental, physical, emotional and intellectual exertions, much of it given before their eventual impact and positive implications for three nations could be fully envisioned.

I greatly appreciate the early leadership of and the lessons learned from David Dean and our outstanding team. I am humbled to have been given a chance to work with such a gifted, selfless and EFFECTIVE group of human beings as served at DAD/DII. I am greatly pleased our work contributed to such a positive outcome.

Please pass on to the NASCO member friends and supporters our congratulations

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for the successes achieved, and our ongoing full support for the efforts required for those further accomplishments certain to come in the future.

/s/ Frank

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I want you to know that I miss you and think of you often. I am writing to Club David A. Dean & Associates Alumni to give you some exciting news and, more importantly, give credit where credit is due.

The Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA 21) has been signed into law by President Clinton (in Washington, D.C. on June 9, 1998).

This bill contains FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY a category and funding for trade corridors and border programs.

Specifically, the trade corridor program was funded with \$700 million in Contract Authority (these are "real dollars" as opposed to a simple authorization which must go through the appropriations process).

The I-35 corridor is the strongest and most organized of the corridor initiatives so, if we play our cards right, we stand to get a part of the \$700 million.

In addition to the \$700 million, \$350 million was

authorized for "special projects" along the I-35 corridor.

None of this would have been possible without the "team" we had assembled at David A. Dean & Associates, P.C./Dean International, Inc. I want you to know that while North America's Superhighway Coalition, Inc. (NASCO) celebrates our victory, you are not forgotten.

I find myself thinking of the ten months I spent with you working on this project and now that we have cleared our first and biggest hurdle, not many of you are here to celebrate with me.

So, on behalf of the NASCO Board of Directors (in particular Denton County, TX Judge Jeff A. Moseley, Oklahoma State Sen. Keith C. Leftwich, Williamson County TX Commissioner David Hays, Webb County TX Judge Mercurio Martinez, Tarrant County TX Judge Tom Vandergriff, Commissioner Brown, County Judge Al Cornelius, Commissioner Harmon, Oklahoma State Transportation Department Director Neal McCaleb, Greater Kansas City Chamber Leader Doug Luciani and Detroit Bridge Co. Executive V.P. Mancini) and myself, thank you all for making this happen. You started this initiative - we just kept it going.

Due to the great amount of support and success we have had over the past two years in restructuring NASCO and accomplishing our goals, and in response to our northern states members' requests for a more centrally located headquarters, I am moving to Kansas City, MO, at the end of this month.

This will be great for the project, as we shift our focus from the intense lobbying effort to trade and transportation policy issues (harmonization), infrastructure development, environmental issues ("Clear Corridor" concept), intermodalism, technology (U.S. Customs North American Trade Automation Prototype), developing International Trade Processing Centers and promoting economic development, trade and tourism.

I would love to try to get a group of us together before I move. If not possible, take care of yourselves. I'll be in Texas a lot for work, so I'll try to catch as many of you as possible whenever I'm in town. I miss you and, again, thank you for everything you did for this project.

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