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The Honorable Anthony Foxx
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
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Dear Secretary Foxx,

I am writing in strong support of the application submitted by the Port of Oswego Authority to the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant program for funding to support the CenterState NY Inland Port Project.

It is my understanding this project would increase regional exports and leverage the 12-county region's businesses, workforce and export development initiatives, while reducing congestion at the Port of New York/New Jersey and significantly benefitting the environment.


Reduced shipping costs resulting from the Inland Project would increase exports, grow employment and profits at many regional businesses. In fact, I understand hundreds of new jobs would be created as a result of this project, with the potential for thousands of indirect jobs within Onondaga County and the City of Syracuse.

New warehousing, distribution and related operations would be attracted to the Inland Port location, magnifying its economic benefits. Several firms have already inquired about this project, indicating their interest in co-locating new operations adjacent to the proposed Inland Port.

Please do not hesitate to contact my Utica Office by phone (315) 724-9740, fax (315) 724-9746 or via email Nate.Crossett@mail.house.gov, if you have any questions, need additional information or wish to share your ultimate decision with me.

Thank you, in advance, for your time and consideration of this worthy application. I look forward to hearing from you.

Warm Regards,



RICHARD HANNA
U.S. Representative

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