



April 27, 2016

The Honorable Anthony R. Foxx, Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: CenterState NY Intermodal Commerce Center Project

Dear Mr. Foxx,

The Cayuga Economic Development Agency is supportive of the Port of Oswego Authority's application to the 2016 TIGER Grant program to develop an inland port and commerce center in Onondaga County and rail extensions in Cayuga County. The rail extensions, in conjunction with the Intermodal Commerce Center, will enable our Cayuga County businesses to access the Port of Oswego and the Port of NY & NJ in a more efficient and cost effective manner. This will both improve logistics and competitiveness for the companies, as well as provide greater connections to the global economy. By offering more competitive cost transportation options and strategic inland port services, our community and region will be better able to retain existing businesses and manufacturers, attract new investment, and increase the local tax base. Our organization is committed to supporting this project through coordination with Cayuga County businesses and stakeholders. We look forward to working with you and our regional partners to move this project forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sue Edinger".

Sue Edinger
Chair