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Mr. John Poorman
Capital District Transportation Committee
One Park Place, Main Floor
Albany, New York 12205

Dear Mr. Poorman:

Congratulations! Your project titled, "Implementing the Regional Plan: The Community and Transportation Linkage Planning Program" has been honored as an award winner of the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) 2010 Transportation Planning Excellence Awards (TPEA) Program, which is co-sponsored by the American Planning Association. This year, we received more than 90 nominations in support of the Program. Your selection among this outstanding collection of projects and initiatives is a great accomplishment. We applaud the interest and the effort that you and your organization put into this excellent project.

We will recognize award winners during the opening session of the Transportation Research Board's Joint Summer Meeting 2010 entitled, "Planning and Performance Measurement for All Modes." The event will be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The awards ceremony and photo opportunity is scheduled to occur on Sunday, July 11, 2010 at 3:00 PM at the Minneapolis Marriott City Center Hotel, followed by a poster session featuring each of the winning projects. The FHWA and FTA invite you to send one representative from your organization to accept the award and host your poster. Staff from the U.S. DOT Volpe Center will contact you by June 25, 2010 to assist you with your invitational travel to attend the award ceremony. An FHWA/FTA staff person will also contact you to assist you with the preparation of your poster.

Later this summer, the FHWA and FTA will produce and post on the TPEA website (www.fhwa.dot.gov/hep/awards.htm) a brochure featuring the 2010 TPEA winners and honorable mentions. A copy of the brochure will be sent to you in the mail.


If you have questions or would like to discuss the TPEA Program you may contact Kenneth Petty at Kenneth.Petty@dot.gov (202-366-6654) or Frederick Bowers at Frederick.Bowers@dot.gov (202-366-2374) with the FHWA, Office of Planning; or Joanne Waszczak, with the FTA Office of Systems Planning at Joanne.Waszczak@dot.gov (202-493-0207).



Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James A. Cheatham".

James A. Cheatham
Director, Office of Planning
Federal Highway Administration

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles R. Goodman".

Charles R. Goodman
Director, Office of Systems Planning
Federal Transit Administration