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Re: October 6th Meeting of the South Carolina Transportation Infrastructure Bank Board

My fellow Board members,

The last few weeks have been spent drinking from a fire hose. Fortunately, the gracious welcome each of you has given me on the phone or in person, has made the learning process much easier. I'm grateful for time spent with Tami Reed, Debra Rountree, Jim Holly, David Miller, Acting SCDOT Secretary Christy Hall and her Chief of Staff, Wendy Nicholas, in helping me get up to speed. And Don Leonard, who I'm sure you would agree, must be counted among the Top Ten gentlemen in South Carolina, has also spent considerable time framing the big picture in a manner I can start getting my head around. In setting the culture and tone of positive leadership these past dozen years, Don leaves behind an outstanding staff, cohesive Board, and positive direction for the Infrastructure Bank. An incoming Chair could not ask for a better legacy. Thank you Don!

Our Governor has honored me with an appointment that is above my experience and talents. I'll work hard to overcome those shortcomings and ask for your continued help and patience through this leadership transition. During that period, I'm hopeful you will kindly pardon any errors, which I assure will never be intentional.

Among our numerous projects is the proposed 526 extension in Charleston County. Attached is a memo from Jim Holly updating the latest developments on that matter. Also included is a *draft* agenda for our October 6th meeting. If you have additional items to include, please forward them to Tami Reed as soon as possible. She will then update the agenda and send it to you by October 2. Please feel welcome to contact me if you have questions or anything you'd like to discuss in advance of our meeting.

I look forward to seeing you on October 6th and working with you toward the betterment of South Carolina.

Sincerely,

Vincent G. Graham

Cc: 
Acting Secretary Christy Hall
Jim Holly

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