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April 26, 2021

The Honorable Christopher H. Smith (NJ-04)  
2373 Rayburn House Office Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20515

Re: Route 539 Overpass - Ocean County

Dear Congressman Smith:

The cost breakdown for the Route 539 Overpass Project located near the NJ National Guard Equipment Concentration Site (ECS) and Consolidated Logistic & Training Facility is as follows:

Grading, Excavation & Fill	\$300,000
Paving Route 539 Approaches	\$425,500
Paving Temporary Detour	\$365,500
Bridge Abutments & Walls	\$4,350,000
Bridge Superstructure, Railings & Deck	\$3,650,000
Subtotal	\$9,091,000
Contingency	\$909,100
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,000,100</b>

This total cost is subject to current cost of materials and labor.

Ocean County is prepared to be the local sponsor for this important infrastructure project. We are also prepared to meet the 20 percent local match with additional support from the State of New Jersey and Burlington County and we have the ability for the funding to be obligated within the time period set forth under Federal Highway Aid or Federal Transit Requirements. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Ocean County Board of Commissioners  
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