



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17120

OFFICE OF
SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

August 29, 2013

Dear Rail Freight Operators,

I am writing to provide a status on the 2012/13 Rail Freight Capital Budget Program. We had expected to make an announcement on capital project selections after the State Transportation Commission approved the projects on August 22, 2013. Unfortunately, due to our funding situation, we were not able to bring these projects before the State Transportation Commission.

As you know, we were hoping to have a new funding package approved by the General Assembly prior to the end of the fiscal year. Included in this funding was the creation of a multimodal fund that would provide permanent, predictable funding for the rail freight program. I would encourage you and your businesses to reach out to your legislators to emphasize the importance of transportation funding.

As a result of our funding situation, the grant application deadlines for both the Rail Freight Capital Budget Program and the Rail Freight Assistance Program have been extended until December 31, 2013. Please do not hesitate to contact Gary DeBerry, Acting Director, Bureau of Rail Freight at gdeberry@pa.gov or (717)214-1922 if you have any questions on the application procedures and deadlines.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Toby L. Fauver', written in a cursive style.

Toby L. Fauver, AICP
Deputy Secretary
Local and Area Transportation