

July 24, 2014

The Honorable Barbara Boxer
Chair, U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works

The Honorable Bob Corker
U.S. Senator

The Honorable Tom Carper
U.S. Senator

Dear Senators,

As President and CEO of the Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute (CRSI) I write on behalf of our more than 1,500 members in support of your amendment to H.R. 5021, the “Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2014”. CRSI fully supports the federal government’s role in planning and delivering transportation services and projects to meet our country’s transportation and infrastructure needs. We have urged Congress to pass a multi-year, fully funded program and to preserve a dedicated Highway Trust Fund.

We appreciate your leadership and steadfast commitment to enacting a long-term reauthorization and wholeheartedly endorse your amendment to enable Congress to continue to work on this objective before the end of 2014 in the 113th Congress.

The Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute has proudly served for 90 years as the authoritative resource for information related to steel reinforced concrete construction. CRSI represents over 80% of the U.S. manufacturers, fabricators and placers of steel reinforcing bar and related products, as well as the interests of thousands of design and construction professionals. Our members have 465 locations in 47 states representing tens of thousands of jobs. Ninety percent of domestic production capacity is represented by CRSI members. Products are used in over 95% of U.S. bridges and over 50% of the nation’s heavy-trafficked pavements, along with median barriers, pipe, sound walls and other applications.

Thank you for pursuing a long-term revenue and policy solution this year. Your amendment will provide the opportunity for Congress to act now on this extremely important goal.

Sincerely,



Bob Risser
President & CEO
Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute

