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Mr. Robert Scardelletti
President
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Dear Mr. Scardelletti:

I would like to invite you to testify before the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure's Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials regarding "High-Speed Rail in the United States: Opportunities and Challenges". The hearing will take place on Wednesday, October 14, 2009 at 2:00 p.m., in Room 2167 of the Rayburn House Office Building (HOB).

Witnesses must have 150 copies of written testimony hand-delivered to Room 2165 Rayburn HOB, to the attention of Jimmy Miller, by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 12, 2009. In addition, witnesses must send one copy of the draft written testimony by electronic mail to rachel.carr@mail.house.gov by close of business on Friday, October 9, 2009. Name, mailing address, organization represented, and telephone number must appear on the face of the testimony.

For the purpose of complying with House Rule XI, clause 2(e)(4), requiring each committee to make its publications available in electronic form to the maximum extent practicable, each witness is strongly urged to submit testimony in Microsoft Word format (i.e. copy on disk).

Witnesses are recommended to limit their testimony to a five-minute oral summary of their statements. The full statement will be included in the printed record of the hearing.

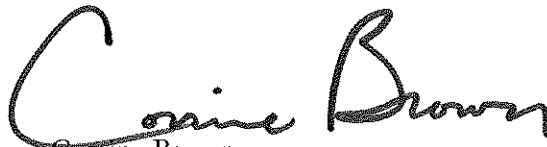
If you need special accommodations, please contact Jimmy Miller at (202) 225-4472 at least four days before the hearing.

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If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Rachel Carr, Counsel of the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, at (202) 225-3274. Her facsimile number is (202) 226-3475.

I look forward to your testimony.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Corrine Brown". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Corrine Brown

Chair

Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and
Hazardous Materials