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MANAGEMENT AND COMPLIANCE REPORT FOR THE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL OF THE TWIN CITIES AREA

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

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Management and Compliance Report

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

I. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

- A. Our report expresses unqualified opinions on the basic financial statements of the Metropolitan Council.
- B. No matters involving internal control over financial reporting were reported in the "Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*."
- C. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of the Metropolitan Council were disclosed during the audit.
- D. A significant deficiency relating to the audit of the major federal award programs is reported in the "Report on Compliance with Requirements That Could Have a Direct and Material Effect on Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133." It is not a material weakness.
- E. The Auditor's Report on Compliance for the major federal award programs for the Metropolitan Council expresses an unqualified opinion.
- F. A finding relative to a major federal award program for the Metropolitan Council was reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133.
- G. The major programs are:

DA #14.871
DA #20.500
DA #20.500
DA #20.507
DA #20.507
DA #66.458
DA #66.458

- H. The threshold for distinguishing between Types A and B programs was \$3,000,000.
- I. The Metropolitan Council was not determined to be a low-risk auditee.

II. FINDINGS RELATED TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDITED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

INTERNAL CONTROL

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ITEM RESOLVED

Audit Adjustments (07-1)

Our audit identified material adjustments that were reviewed and approved by the appropriate Council staff and reflected in the financial statements.

Resolution

No material audit adjustments were identified during our audit of the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2010.

III. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS

ITEM ARISING THIS YEAR

10-1 Federal Transit Cluster (CFDA Nos. 20.500, 20.500 - ARRA, 20.507, and 20.507 - ARRA) - Subrecipient Monitoring

During 2010, the Metropolitan Council passed Federal Transit Cluster funding through to ten subrecipients including cities, counties, and other local units of government. The Council currently has a manual in place that provides guidance to staff and subrecipients regarding subrecipient monitoring and compliance. We were provided with evidence that subrecipients received clear identification of the compliance requirements relative to the Federal Transit Cluster and that some monitoring activities were performed. However, the Council was unable to provide us with documentation that all necessary monitoring procedures were applied consistently. For example, there is no clear responsibility assigned to ensure that required subrecipient audits are performed, reviewed, and any findings properly resolved. In addition, if an audit is not required, there is no identification of the alternative subrecipient monitoring method, documentation, and responsibility. The OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement identifies that the Council, as the pass-through entity, is responsible for: (1) identifying to the subrecipient the federal award information and applicable compliance requirements, (2) monitoring the subrecipient's activities to provide reasonable assurance that the subrecipient administers the federal award in compliance with federal requirements, (3) ensuring that required audits are performed and requiring the subrecipient to take timely and appropriate corrective action on any audit findings, and (4) evaluating the impact of subrecipient activities on the Council's ability to comply with applicable federal regulations.

Monitoring activities may take various forms, such as reviewing reports submitted by the subrecipient, performing site visits to the subrecipients to review financial and programmatic records and observe operations, reviewing the subrecipient's single audit or program specific audit results, and evaluating audit findings and the subrecipient's corrective action plan.

We recommend the Council establish and implement documented procedures to meet the subrecipient monitoring requirements.

Corrective Action Plan:

Contact Person(s):

Ed Petrie, Metro Transit Director of Finance Mary Bogie, Deputy Chief Financial Officer

Corrective Action Planned:

The Metropolitan Council will review Council Training Manuals for consistency and update monitoring processes in compliance with OMB Circular A-133. Specifically, the Council will engage its Program Evaluation and Audit Division to perform similar review functions for Metro Transit grants as it does for subrecipients of Metropolitan Transportation Services grants.

Anticipated Completion Date:

September 30, 2011



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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Council Members Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities Area

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Metropolitan Council, a component unit of the State of Minnesota, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010, which collectively comprise the Council's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 27, 2011. Our report includes a reference to other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Other auditors audited the financial statements of the Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission, as described in our report on the Metropolitan Council's financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditor's testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Metropolitan Council's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control over financial control over financial reporting.

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A deficiency in internal control over financial reporting exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Council's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Metropolitan Council's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Minnesota Legal Compliance

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the provisions of the *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Political Subdivisions*, promulgated by the State Auditor pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 6.65. Accordingly, the audit included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Political Subdivisions* contains seven categories of compliance to be tested: contracting and bidding, deposits and investments, conflicts of interest, public indebtedness, claims and disbursements, miscellaneous provisions, and tax increment financing. Our study included all of the listed categories, except tax increment financing because the Metropolitan Council does not utilize tax increment financing.

The results of our tests indicate that, for the items tested, the Metropolitan Council complied with the material terms and conditions of applicable legal provisions.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Metropolitan Council members, audit committee, management, others within the Metropolitan Council, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than those specified parties.

/s/Rebecca Otto

/s/Greg Hierlinger

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June 27, 2011



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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS THAT COULD HAVE A DIRECT AND MATERIAL EFFECT ON EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Council Members Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities Area

Compliance

We have audited the Metropolitan Council's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2010. The Metropolitan Council's major federal programs are identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Council's compliance based on our audit.

The Metropolitan Council's basic financial statements include the operations of the Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission component unit, which expended no federal awards during the year ended December 31, 2010. Our audit, described below, did not include the operations of the Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission because the Commission was audited by other auditors.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements

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referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Metropolitan Council's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the Council's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Metropolitan Council complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2010.

Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Metropolitan Council is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Council's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program to determine the auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, we identified a deficiency in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a significant deficiency as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 10-1. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Metropolitan Council, a component unit of the State of Minnesota, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010, and have issued our report thereon dated June 27, We did not audit the financial statements of the Metropolitan Sports Facilities 2011. Commission component unit as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on the Metropolitan Council's financial statements that collectively comprise the Council's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133 and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The SEFA is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The SEFA has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the SEFA is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The Metropolitan Council's corrective action plan to the federal award finding identified in our audit is included in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. We did not audit the Council's corrective action plan and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Metropolitan Council members, audit committee, management and others within the Council, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than those specified parties.

/s/Rebecca Otto

REBECCA OTTO STATE AUDITOR /s/Greg Hierlinger

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June 27, 2011

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

Federal Grantor Pass-Through Agency Grant Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Contract Number/ Pass-Through Grant Number	E	xpenditures
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development				
Direct	14.000	ND100466516010001	¢	176 275
Shelter Plus Care	14.238	MN0046C5K010801	\$	176,375
Shelter Plus Care Shelter Plus Care	14.238 14.238	MN0046C5K010802		479,038
Shelter Plus Care	14.238	MN0068C5K030801 MN0068C5K030802		13,114 120,782
Shelter Plus Care	14.238	MN46C400001		432,092
Shelter Plus Care	14.238	MN46C407001		30,724
Shelter Plus Care	14.238	MN0010C5K000801		499,159
Shelter Plus Care	14.238	MN0010C5K000802		669,753
Total CFDA #14.238			\$	2,421,037
Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers	14.871	MN163VO/MN163AF	\$	50,529,704
Passed Through City of Minneapolis				
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS	14.241	C-23762 #4	\$	184,254
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS	14.241	C-28344	Ψ	248,608
Total CFDA #14.241			\$	432,862
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development			\$	53,383,603
U.S. Department of the Interior Direct				
National Spatial Data Infrastructure Cooperative				
Agreements Program	15.809	G10AC00239	\$	19,130
U.S. Department of Transportation Direct				
Federal Transit Administration				
Highway Planning and Construction				
2004 Urban Guarantee Section 133	20.205	MN-90-X201	\$	162,932
Federal Transit Cluster				
Federal Transit Capital Investment Grants				
2002 Section 5309	20.500	MN-03-0057	\$	3,373
2000 Section 5309	20.500	MN-03-0066		87,138
2003 Section 5309	20.500	MN-03-0085		(6,824)
2003 Section 5309	20.500	MN-03-0086		2,589
2000 Section 5309	20.500	MN-03-0087		(13,818)
2003 Section 5309	20.500	MN-03-0083		(1,044)
2003 Section 5309	20.500	MN-03-0104		942
2004 - 2005 Section 5309	20.500	MN-03-0105		77,245
2003 - 2004 Section 5309	20.500	MN-03-0106		190,220
2004 - 2005 Section 5309	20.500	MN-03-0123		3,028,812

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 (Continued)

Federal Grantor Federal Contract Number/ **Pass-Through Agency CFDA Pass-Through Grant Program Title** Number **Grant Number** Expenditures **U.S. Department of Transportation** Direct Federal Transit Administration Federal Transit Cluster Federal Transit Capital Investment Grants (Continued) 2005 Section 5309 20.500 MN-03-0126 259,614 2006 Section 5309 20.500 MN-03-0200 17,594,582 2006 Section 5309 20.500 MN-04-0014 50,569 2006 Section 5309 20.500 MN-04-0015 862,341 2006 Section 5309 20.500 MN-04-0017 723,680 2006 Section 5309 20.500 MN-04-0018 1,479,360 2006 Section 5309 20.500 MN-05-0018 1,888,022 2007 Section 5309 20.500 MN-04-0012 7,720,211 2007 - 2008 Section 5309 20.500 MN-04-0026 262,867 **Total CFDA #20.500** 34,209,879 \$ Federal Transit Cluster Federal Transit Capital Investment Grants -- ARRA 2009 Section 5309 20.500 MN-56-0001 1,851,573 \$ Federal Transit Cluster Federal Transit Formula Grants 2009 Section 5307 20.507 MN-77-0001 \$ 1.037.772 2002 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X164 43,573 2002 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X172 6,568 2002 Section 5307 20.507 247,708 MN-90-X177 2003 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X185 213 2000 Section 5307 20.507 13,328 MN-90-X189 2002 - 2003 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X190 218,493 2004 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X199 182,954 2003 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X204 24,788 2003 - 2005 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X215 284,279 2006 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X219 37,365 2005 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X224 195,261 2006 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X226 20,068 2006 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X230 557,952 2006 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X235 1,180,960 2006 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X238 4,722,070 2007 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X242 235,915 2007 - 2008 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X249 353,723 2007 - 2008 Section 5307 20.507 3,000,274 MN-90-X260 2010 Section 5307 20.507 MN-90-X274 8,455,652 2007 Section 5307 20.507 MN-95-X002 2,072 2008 Section 5307 20.507 MN-95-X006 73,995 2008 Section 5307 20.507 MN-95-X007 84,140 20.507 2008 Section 5307 MN-95-X010 169,034

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 (Continued)

Federal Grantor Pass-Through Agency Grant Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Contract Number/ Pass-Through Grant Number	E	spenditures
U.S. Department of Transportation Direct				
Federal Transit Administration				
Federal Transit Kummstration				
Federal Transit Formula Grants (Continued)				
2009 - 2010 Section 5307	20.507	MN-95-X019		824,818
2007 Section 5307	20.507	MN-95-X001-00		2,697,552
2007 Section 5307	20.507	MN-95-X001-00		99,495
2006 Section 5307	20.507	MN-90-217		163,043
2006 Section 5307	20.507	MN-90-241		1,278,445
2007 - 2008 Section 5307	20.507	MN-90-249		257,437
2007 - 2008 Section 5307	20.507	MN-90-250		4,699,790
2009 - 2010 Section 5307	20.507	MN-90-271		3,063,362
Total CFDA #20.507			\$	34,232,099
Federal Transit Cluster				
Federal Transit Formula Grants ARRA				
2006 Section 5307	20.507	MN-90-241	\$	1,780,280
2009 Section 5307	20.507	MN-96-002		47,715,255
2009 Section 5307	20.507	MN-96-002		13,891
Total CFDA #20.507 ARRA			\$	49,509,426
Transit Services Programs Cluster				
Job Access/Reverse Commute (JA/RC)				
2002 Section 5307	20.516	MN-37-X006	\$	47,859
2006 Section 5307	20.516	MN-37-011		109,524
2006 Section 5307	20.516	MN-37-011		653,140
Total CFDA #20.516			\$	810,523
Transit Services Programs Cluster				
New Freedom Program				
2006 - 2008 New Freedom	20.521	MN-57-X002	\$	47,097
Alternatives Analysis				
2008 Section 5339	20.522	MN-39-0002	\$	405,386
2009 Section 5339	20.522	MN-39-0003		225,803
Total CFDA #20.522			\$	631,189
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Transportation Highway Planning and Construction				
Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) 2009 Section 5307	20.205	95122	\$	187,201

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 (Continued)

Federal Grantor Federal Contract Number/ **Pass-Through Agency CFDA Pass-Through Grant Program Title** Number **Grant Number** Expenditures **U.S. Department of Transportation** Passed Through Minnesota Department of Transportation (Continued) Metropolitan Transportation Planning Planning 2010 - Section 5303 20.505 95995 2,943,756 \$ Federal Transit Cluster Federal Transit Formula Grants MN-03-X201 Northstar Commuter Rail Funding Grant 20.507 2,851,219 Formula Grants for Other Than Urbanized Areas 2010 Section 5311 20.509 95832 \$ 493,074 Formula Grants for Other Than Urbanized Areas -- ARRA 2010 Section 5311 20.509 MN-96-017 1,204,305 \$ Transit Services Programs Cluster Job Access/Reverse Commute (JA/RC) 2009 Section 5307 20.516 MN-37-012 49,573 \$ **Total U.S. Department of Transportation** \$ 129,183,846 **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency** Passed Through Minnesota Public Facilities Authority Capitalization Grants for Clean Water - State Revolving Funds Cluster Capitalization Grants for Clean Water - State Revolving Funds 66.458 MPFA-08-0099-R-FY10 \$ 30,564,400 Capitalization Grants for Clean Water - State Revolving Funds 66.458 MPFA-08-0098-R-FY10 15,224,427 **Total CFDA #66.458** \$ 45,788,827 Capitalization Grants for Clean Water - State Revolving Funds -- ARRA 66.458 ARRA-09-0098-R-FY10 3,434,978 **Total U.S. Environmental Protection Agency** \$ 49,223,805

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 (Continued)

Federal Grantor Pass-Through Agency Grant Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Contract Number/ Pass-Through Grant Number	E	xpenditures
U.S. Department of Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)				
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Public Safety				
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially				
Declared Disasters)	97.036	N/A	\$	139,339
Homeland Security Grant Program	97.067	HSGP-23526-2008-10873	\$	69,061
Rail and Transit Security Grant Cluster				
Rail and Transit Security Grant Program	97.075	2006-RL-T6-006	\$	86,002
Rail and Transit Security Grant Program	97.075	2007-RL-T7-0002		47,577
Rail and Transit Security Grant Program	97.075	2008-RL-T8-0014		259,440
Rail and Transit Security Grant Program	97.075	2009-RA-T9-0050		10,295
Total CFDA #97.075			\$	403,314
Rail and Transit Security Grant Cluster				
Rail and Transit Security Grant Program ARRA	97.113	2009-RA-RA0088	\$	350,501
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security			\$	962,215
Total Federal Awards			\$	232,772,599

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

1. <u>Reporting Entity</u>

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activities of federal award programs expended by the Metropolitan Council. The Council's reporting entity is defined in Note I.A. to the financial statements.

2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of the Metropolitan Council under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2010. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Metropolitan Council, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of the Metropolitan Council.

3. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

Expenditures reported on the schedule are reported on the basis of accounting used by the individual funds of the Metropolitan Council. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Proprietary funds use the accrual basis. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in OMB Circular A-87, *Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Pass-through entity identifying numbers are presented where available.

4. Subrecipients

Of the expenditures presented in the schedule, the Metropolitan Council provided federal awards to subrecipients as follows:

CFDA Number	Program Name	Amount Provided to Subrecipients		
20.500	Federal Transit Capital Investment Grants	\$	4,764,454	
20.507	Federal Transit Formula Grants		2,448,701	
20.516	Job Access/Reverse Commute		207,294	
20.521	New Freedom Program		47,097	
20.522	Alternatives Analysis		515,581	
	Total	\$	7,983,127	

5. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) requires recipients to clearly distinguish ARRA funds from non-ARRA funding. In the schedule, ARRA funds are denoted by the addition of ARRA to the program name.