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October 21, 2009

Mr. Joe Cimperman, Councilman, Ward 13
City of Cleveland Council
City Hall, Room 220
601 Lakeside Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

**Re: CUY – Cleveland Innerbelt Project (PID 77510);
Noise Barrier Public Involvement Summary**

Dear Councilman Cimperman:

The ODOT-District 12 has compiled all of the resident’s comments regarding noise barriers and prepared the Noise Barrier Public Involvement Summary for the first Cleveland Innerbelt Construction project which will build a new westbound bridge adjacent to the existing IR-90 bridge.

Based on the resident’s responses, noise barriers will not be constructed on the west side of the Innerbelt. Vegetative screening will be included in the project. The District will coordinate with the Tremont West Development Corporation to get local input on the vegetative screening.

As of October 16, 2009, 40 of the 64 effected homes on the west side of the Innerbelt provided written comments about noise barriers in Tremont. Of those that responded, 58% stated that they did not want noise barriers to be built. In addition to yourself, the Lincoln Heights/Scranton-Starkweather Block Club, North of Literary Block Club, Auburn Block Club, Tremont West Development Corporation, and the Old South Side Community Coalition provided written opposition to noise barriers in Tremont. All of these organizations and more than 90% of the residents responded that they would like to see a vegetative screening in lieu of noise barriers.

The determination of noise barriers for the east side of the Innerbelt, will be made during design development of the second Innerbelt Construction project which will replace the existing bridge with a new eastbound bridge.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (216) 584-2089 or by e-mail at Mark.Carpenter@dot.state.oh.us.

Respectfully,

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