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New Officers Approved to Lead OKI Board of Directors

Cincinnati, Ohio – The Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI) Board of Directors yesterday approved the appointment of new officers to lead the transportation planning organization during the next two years.

“I am excited to continue my involvement with OKI as the Board of Director’s President because we are in the midst of a critical time regarding transportation issues not only for this region but for the country,” said new OKI Board of Director’s President and Campbell County Judge Executive Steve Pendery.

The new officers for the OKI Board of Directors will serve a two-year term (2009 and 2010) and include:

- President: Campbell County Kentucky Judge Executive Steve Pendery
- 1st Vice President: Clermont County Ohio Commissioner Ed Humphrey
- 2nd Vice President: Butler County Ohio Planning Commission Director of Development Mike Juengling
- Treasurer: OKI Board of Director’s former President and Public Member Ken Reed
- Past President: Liberty Township Ohio Trustee Christine L. Matacic

Pendery continued, “We have the opportunity to make a significant contribution for the Tri-state region through our involvement with the development of the Economic Stimulus Package and the formation of the nation’s new six-year transportation funding legislation. These two initiatives are key elements in ensuring our region’s transportation network continues to be an asset, and does not turn into an economic and safety liability.”

Outgoing President and Liberty Township Trustee Christine Matacic said, “It has been a pleasure to serve as the OKI Board President during the past two years. The new officers are distinguished professionals and will continue to build upon the collaboration and partnership we have created to ensure the economic vibrancy and high quality transportation network of the Tri-state region.”

OKI is a council of local governments, business organizations and community groups with a board consisting of 117 people of which 67 are elected officials. OKI is federally mandated and funnels about \$40 million in transportation funds to construction and planning projects throughout its eight-county, three-state region that includes: Ohio’s Butler, Clermont, Hamilton and Warren counties; Kentucky’s Boone, Campbell and Kenton counties and Dearborn County Indiana.

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