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The Honorable Stephanie Tubbs Jones  
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The Honorable Doc Hastings  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Standards of Official Conduct  
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Dear Chairwoman Jones and Ranking Member Hastings:

I am writing to seek advice from the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct regarding the congressional earmark financial interest certification requirements as outlined in House Rule XXIII, Clause 17.

Earlier this year, the Riverside Transit Agency (RTA), the Consolidated Transportation Service Agency for western Riverside County, California, sought my support for a congressional earmark of \$7,000,000 to fund the Corona Transit Center and the Riverside Transit Center in the FY 2008 Transportation, HUD, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. I have sought and obtained congressional earmarks for these projects in the past, including: \$500,000 in FY 2006 for the Corona Transit Center; \$750,000 in FY 2006 for the Riverside Transit Center; \$125,000 in FY 2005 for the Riverside Transit Center; \$700,000 in FY 2004 for the Corona Transit Center; \$1,000,000 for the Riverside Transit Center; and \$1,000,000 in FY 2003 for the Riverside Transit Agency Transit Centers - Corona, Riverside.

The Corona Transit Center is located in the City of Corona, California at the intersection of Main Street and Grand Avenue, adjacent to the North Main Metrolink Station. When completed, the Corona Transit Center will serve as a multi-modal transit center that will greatly assist commuters traveling by rail to Orange, Los Angeles, and San Bernardino counties. It will also serve as a hub for planned express bus service and serve as a transfer point for inter-county and intra-county bus connections. The users of this facility are primarily commuters going to and from work. I have received numerous letters of support for the Corona Transit Center congressional earmark request from cities throughout western Riverside County. The support letters are attached.

As disclosed on my U.S. House of Representatives Financial Disclosure Statement for Calendar Year 2005, I have real estate property assets located in the City of Corona, California. These assets include the following properties, the locations of which are indicated on an attached map by the corresponding number:

- 1) Property Location: 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Corona, CA  
Property Use: Mini-Storage  
Date Acquired: Approximately 2005

- 2) Property Location: 624 E Grand Boulevard, Corona, CA  
Property Use: Office/Retail  
Date Acquired: Approximately 2001
- 3) Property Location: 501 & 503 E 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Corona, CA  
Property Use: Commercial  
Date Acquired: Approximately 2004
- 4) Property Location: 63 West Grand Boulevard, Corona, CA  
Property Use: Office Space  
Date Acquired: Approximately 1990

The following properties are held in the Calvert Family Trust. Due to the recent passing of my mother, I expect to include them as personal assets in my Financial Disclosure Statement for Calendar Year 2007.

- 5) Property Location: Lincoln Avenue and SR-91, Corona, CA  
Property Use: Commercial  
Date Acquired: Approximately 1975
- 6) Property Location: 330 Sherman Avenue, Corona, CA  
Property Use: Industrial  
Date Acquired: Approximately 1996
- 7) Property Location: 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and E Grand Blvd, Corona, CA  
Property Use: Industrial  
Date Acquired: Approximately 2002

**Would my real estate property asset holdings constitute a financial interest, under House Rule XXIII, Clause 17, for the purposes of requesting a congressional earmark for the Corona Transit Center?**

Due to the congressional earmark request deadlines imposed by the Appropriations Committee, a response to this request for advice may not be received before the submittal deadline passes. Therefore, I intend to submit a congressional earmark funding request for the Corona Transit Center to the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, HUD, and Related Agencies, as well as a financial certification letter. If I should receive advice stating that I have a financial interest in the Corona Transit Center congressional earmark request, I will promptly withdraw my request.

Sincerely,



KEN CALVERT  
Member of Congress

Enclosures