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INFORMATION MEMORANDUM TO THE SECRETARY

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Subject: Inspector General Announces DOT’s FY 2011 Top Management Challenges

SUMMARY

The Office of Inspector General has identified nine top management challenges for the Department of Transportation (DOT) for FY 2011. When issued, this report and the Department’s response will be incorporated into the DOT Performance and Accountability Report, as required by law.

BACKGROUND

The issues covered in this year’s report are listed below and will be presented in greater detail in the final report.

- Ensuring Accountability and Transparency in the Department's Recovery Act Investments
- Enhancing Confidence in the Department's Ability to Oversee Highway and Motor Vehicle Safety and Promote Transit Safety
• Maintaining Momentum in Addressing Human Factors and Improving Safety Oversight of the Aviation Industry

• Improving the Department's Oversight of Highway and Transit Infrastructure

• Identifying Sufficient Funding Sources to Support Future Federal Investment in Surface Transportation Infrastructure

• Transforming the Federal Railroad Administration to Address Significantly Expanded Oversight Responsibilities

• Advancing the Next Generation Air Transportation System While Ensuring the Safe and Efficient Operation of the National Airspace System

• Establishing a Framework and Implementing Processes to Improve Departmentwide Acquisitions and Contract Management

• Improving the Department's Cyber Security and its Information Technology Acquisitions

FOLLOW-UP
None required.

The Secretary

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COMMENTS: ______________________

DATE: ______________________