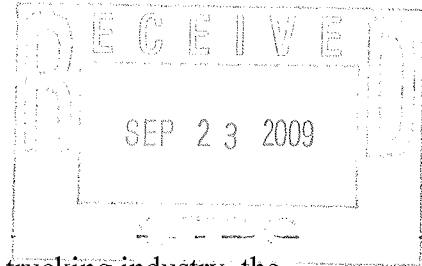




Massachusetts Motor Transportation Association

September 16, 2009

Chairman Malek Al-Khatib
Regional Transportation Advisory Council
State Transportation Building
10 Park Plaza, Suite 2150
Boston, MA 02116



Dear Chairman Al-Khatib,

As an organization that works on behalf of the commonwealth's trucking industry, the Massachusetts Motor Transportation Association (MMTA) recognizes the important role that the Regional Transportation Advisory Council plays in shaping Massachusetts' infrastructure.

The MMTA would like to be actively engaged in the work of the RTAC as a voting member. We have much to offer the Council in the way of information and expertise, and the organization would be a valuable asset in all decisions regarding commercial transportation.

The MMTA is the sole legislative voice for the trucking industry in Massachusetts for, which understands the transportation needs of the Commonwealth. We lobby the state supporting interests of small, locally-owned and operated businesses as well as local and regional divisions of global corporations. As a result, we are sensitive to a wide range of interests held by a diverse and crucial cross-section of the state's transportation companies.

Our unique experience as the sole advocates for the trucking industry in Massachusetts would provide the Council with unparalleled insight into the interests of those businesses and ensure that that industry's needs are considered in matters of transportation planning.

No other organization provides the services that the MMTA offers and our long history of advocacy and representation means that we can contribute to the Regional Transportation Advisory Council as no other group can.

We know that you will see the value that the Massachusetts Motor Transportation Association has to offer for the RTAC, and we look forward to working closely with you as an integral part of the Council.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Anne M. Lynch'.

Anne M. Lynch
Executive Director