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August 25, 2014

Ms. Janet Oakley, Secretary  
SC Department of Transportation  
P.O. Box 191  
Columbia, SC 29201-3959

Re: Pete Hollis Bridge (Tent City)

Dear Ms. Oakley:

Please be advised that I met with you on August 18, 2014 and informed you of an immediate issue of concern regarding SCDOT's failure to address the homeless population that your agency has allowed to reside under the Pete Hollis Bridge in Greenville, South Carolina. It is my understanding that the SCDOT acknowledges that the agency is aware and has been aware of the homeless population and that you also have knowledge of the immediate unsafe and hazardous conditions existing. In my opinion this is clear notice and exposes the agency and South Carolina to liability. I clearly expressed in our meeting that time was of the essence as I have zero tolerance for the alleged neglect of responsibility associated with this group of South Carolinians.

In view of no follow-up, please accept this as my Freedom of Information Request for all information inclusive of, but not limited to, email, contracts, memorandums, and documents related to SCDOT's alleged attempt to neglect its' duties related to our homeless South Carolinians and inartfully pass this obligation to the County of Greenville by lease or sale of State owned property. Again, time is of the essence as we cannot transfer our liability to help the least of these....**our homeless brothers and sisters**. After bringing this matter to your attention, I have not received a response or courtesy of a reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karl B. Allen", written over a horizontal line.

Senator Karl B. Allen

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cc: The Honorable Larry Grooms, Chairman (SC Senate Transportation Committee)