



September 2, 2009

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**Re: PBO Information Request 013**

Dear Ms. Baltacıoğlu:

We would like to request, from Infrastructure Canada, the quarterly progress reports submitted by recipients of funding under the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund, as outlined in section 10 of the Government of Canada's *Infrastructure Stimulus Fund Guidelines* (<http://www.buildingcanada-chantierscanada.gc.ca/creating-creation/isf-fsi-guide-eng.html#p10>). In addition to the above progress reports, we would like to request any database(s) content tracking infrastructure projects under the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund.

The Parliamentary Budget Officer (PBO) will use this information for an independent research project regarding the rollout of infrastructure stimulus dollars allocated in *Canada's Economic Action Plan, Budget 2009*.

As this is the first PBO request to your department, we would ask you to kindly refer to our *Information Protocol* for further information regarding basic procedure (<http://www2.parl.gc.ca/Sites/PBO-DPB/documents/Information%20Protocol.pdf>). The protocol describes the process by which the PBO can obtain information from government departments, using the access to free and timely data pursuant to the *Parliament of Canada Act*.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We appreciate your cooperation. Please let us know if any part of this request requires clarification.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

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**PBO Information Request**

<b>1) Request Number:</b>	013
<b>2) PBO Contact Name:</b>	David Pinet (613-943-6730 or <a href="mailto:pinetd@parl.gc.ca">pinetd@parl.gc.ca</a> ), or Peter Weltman (613-996-1952 or <a href="mailto:weltmp@parl.gc.ca">weltmp@parl.gc.ca</a> )
<b>3) Type of Request:</b>	One-time
<b>4) PBO Objective:</b>	To analyze recent developments in federal expenditures/expenses in relation to a material component of the Economic Action Plan: Infrastructure Stimulus Funding
<b>5) Relation to Mandate:</b>	To provide independent analysis to the Senate and House of Commons on trends in federal finances and trends in the Canadian economy
<b>6) Information and Data Requested:</b>	Progress reports submitted by recipients of funding under the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund and related tracking database(s). Formatting information: Windows operating system
<b>7) Priority:</b>	Normal
<b>8) Date Request Sent:</b>	September 2, 2009
<b>9) Response Requested By:</b>	September 16, 2009