

April 26, 2010

Senator John Pappageorge  
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Dear Senator Pappageorge:

I am writing on behalf of ArvinMeritor to express the company's strong support for the building of the new border crossing recommended by the Detroit River International Crossing (DRIC) Study.

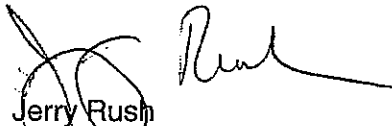
ArvinMeritor has more than 30 facilities located throughout the United States and Canada, with one located on Fort Street in Detroit and in close proximity to the U.S. landing zone of the DRIC. This proposed transportation corridor is critical to the nation's transportation of goods and the economic development of Southeast Detroit.

Michigan needs an additional crossing to handle future trade flows. According to the Ontario and Detroit Regional Chambers of Commerce, in the next 30 years, total US-Canadian trade by truck is expected to increase by 128 percent – levels our existing crossing system simply cannot support. However, it is not just the future growth that is a concern. Delays at the bridge are already costing other Michigan businesses that utilize this trade corridor.

Perhaps the most compelling argument that could be made from the information provided by the Ontario and Detroit Regional Chambers of Commerce is that clearly 61% of the foreign sales from Michigan are made to Canada. This volume translates into a current value of \$13.5 billion.

The completion of the DRIC bridge is important to the future success of not only ArvinMeritor and the countless other businesses reliant on the Detroit border crossings, but to Michigan's economy as well. I do, therefore, strongly urge your support.

Sincerely,



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