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OFFICE OF
SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

October 18, 1993

Honorable Susan Laughlin, Member Pennsylvania House of Representatives Room 120 South Office Building Harrisburg, PA 17120-0028

Dear Ms. Laughlin: Suran

I am writing in response to your letter of September 30, 1993, regarding Koppel Steel's application for Rail Freight Assistance Program (RFAP) funding.

As you know, Koppel Steel received a \$162,882 RFAP grant in FY92-93. The company's application for \$234,538 in additional state assistance for this year's (1993-1994) funding cycle has been received, and is now being evaluated along with 50 other applications for over \$16 million in funding requests. The RFAP appropriation this year is \$3.6 million. As such, the selection process is once again highly competitive.

Koppel Steel is a significant employer for the Beaver Valley, and we recognize their continued investment in the Commonwealth. The jobs which it has created in western Pennsylvania and the importance of the proposed transportation improvements will be important factors in project selection. All funding awards will be made within the next several weeks. We will immediately inform you of Koppel Steel's funding status.

Thank you for your continued support for rail transportation. Please do not hesitate to contact me or Keith Chase, Deputy Secretary for Aviation and Rail Freight, at 717-783-2026 if you have any additional questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Howard

Howard Yerusalim, P.E. Secretary of Transportation



November 19, 1993

The Honorable Susan Laughlin House of Representatives 120 South Office Building Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Mrs. Laughlin:

Koppel Steel has just been notified that they will be receiving a \$225,000 Rail Freight Assistance Program grant for fiscal 1993-94. These funds are approximately 59% of our total project costs submitted of \$384,249.

Mrs. Laughlin, I would like to personally thank you on behalf of Koppel Steel Corporation for all your support with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

You can be assured that Koppel Steel will use these funds to continue to grow our business and workforce in the future.

Thanks again.

Very truly yours,

Joseph J. Tomashosky

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