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APPALACHIAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2017 – 10:30 A.M. COUNCIL BOARD ROOM GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

10:30 A.M. I. Call to Order – **Mr. Dennis Claramunt**, Chair

- A. Invocation
- B. Introduction of Guests
- C. Approval of September 22, 2017, Board Minutes (Section 1, Board Packet)
- D. September 30, 2017 Financial Statement [Information Only] (Section 2, Board Packet)

10:35

II. Report on the Appalachian Development Corporation (ADC) –

Mr. Connally Bradley, Executive Director, Appalachian

Development Corporation (Section 3, Board Packet)

Briefing: ACOG contracts with the ADC to administer the agency's Small Business and Entrepreneurial Revolving Loan Program, which has a current value of approximately \$6.6 million. This program provides financing for small business start-ups and expansions that create jobs in the SC Appalachian region. Mr. Bradley began serving as the executive director of ADC in June of this year. He will provide a

report on ADC activities, emphasizing the ACOG program.

Board Action Required: No

11:00 III. <u>National Highway Freight Network</u> – **Ms. Diane Lackey**, Multimodal

Planning Manager, Intermodal and Freight Programs, SC Department

of Transportation

Briefing: The Federal FAST (Fixing America's Surface Transportation) Act,

passed in 2016, requires USDOT/FHWA to establish a National Highway Freight Network (NHFN) to strategically direct federal resources and policies to improve freight movement. Mrs. Lackey will provide an overview of the new program and efforts of SCDOT to implement measures that will improve the freight network in South

Carolina.

Board Action Required: No

11:30 IV. <u>ACOG's Family Caregiver Support Program</u> – **Ms. Barbara Jardno**, ACOG Family Caregiver Support Advocate (Section 4, Board Packet)

Briefing: The Family Caregiver support program serves people who provide care

for an elderly family member, as well as grandparents raising grandchildren. The program offers guidance, referral information, and financial resources. Ms. Jardno will provide an overview of ACOG

caregiver services.

Board Action Required: No

11:55 V. <u>Executive Director's Report</u> – **Mr. Steve Pelissier**, Executive Director

12:00 Noon VI. Adjourn to Lunch