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**APPALACHIAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 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 New Member and Guests
 - C. Approval of January 27, 2017, Board Minutes (Section 1, Board Packet)
 - D. January 31, 2017 Financial Statement [**Information Only**] (Section 2, Board Packet)

- 10:35 II. Report from the Economic Development Committee: Recommendations for the Small Business and Entrepreneurial Revolving Loan Program – **Mr. Don Godbey**, Chair, Economic Development Committee (Section 3, Board Packet)

Briefing: The Economic Development Committee has been studying the Revolving Loan Program over the past several months and will present recommendations for ensuring its effective operation into the future.

Board Action Required: Yes

- 10:55 III. Appalachian Region Local Development District Impact Report – **Mr. Steve Pelissier**, Executive Director

Briefing: The Development District Association of Appalachia recently released a report identifying the economic, quality of life, health care, and educational impacts of local development districts across the Appalachian region. Mr. Pelissier will provide a summary of this study.

Board Action Required: No

- 11:20 IV. South Carolina Legislative Report – **Ms. Brooke Ferguson**, Economic Development Manager
- Briefing: Ms. Ferguson will provide a report on the 2017 South Carolina legislative session, emphasizing items of interest to local governments.
- Board Action Required: No**
- 11:30 V. SC Department of Commerce Spring 2017 CDBG Competitive Grant Program – **Ms. Arlene Young**, Program Director, Grants Services (Section 4, Board Packet)
- Briefing: The application period for the Spring 2017 Community Development Block Grant period will open soon. Ms. Young will identify the scope of projects included in this competition, and will discuss the application process.
- Board Action Required: No**
- 11:40 VI. SCDOT Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities – **Mr. Chip Bentley**, Deputy Director
- Briefing: The application period for the Section 5310 grant program is currently underway. The ACOG Board will act on a recommendation for project rankings from the Regional Transportation Committee at the March 24th Board meeting. At this time, Mr. Bentley will provide an overview of the program.
- Board Action Required: Not at this time**
- 11:50 VII. Executive Director’s Report – **Mr. Steve Pelissier**, Executive Director
- 12:00 Noon VIII. Adjourn