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SPEAKER BIOS

Phil Saputo Philip Saputo serves as the national Construction Coordinator responsible for policy development and direct oversight of EDA's Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance grant programs administered through six regional offices. Mr. Saputo has also performed concurrent assignments as the national Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Coordinator where he led an innovative overhaul of the RLF program including regulations, policies and procedures and the Deputy National Disaster Coordinator responsible for coordinating EDA's and the Department of Commerce's role in post-disaster long term-economic recovery and pre-disaster resiliency/preparedness planning. Prior to his current assignment Mr. Saputo served as the principal advisor to the Regional Director on the management and direction of major EDA programmatic activities and issues. Mr. Saputo was responsible for the development of a comprehensive federal investment strategy for the Philadelphia Regional Office which encompassed 13 states and three territories. He led a program staff of Economic Development Representatives/Specialists and Construction Project Managers in assessing the highest-impact priority projects in distressed communities and ensured effective and efficient program development and implementation. Mr. Saputo also served as the Senior Civil Engineer responsible for the development and oversight of EDA-assisted construction projects in the Northeast Region. He was responsible for all final engineering approvals and provided technical assistance during the project development phase to organizations seeking funding from EDA's Public Works & Economic Development Program and Economic Adjustment Assistance Program. Prior to joining EDA, Mr. Saputo led a construction management team at Federal Bureau of Prisons and served as a design engineer with the U.S. Navy, Philadelphia Naval Shipyard. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Drexel University.

David Nufrio is an International Trade Specialist at the U.S. Department of Commerce's International Trade Administration (ITA). David serves in ITA's Office of South Asia, where he works to improve market access for U.S. businesses active in India and Pakistan and to ensure compliance on commitments made U.S. trading partners in the region. He also promotes U.S. goods and services exports to South Asia and inward foreign investment into the United States. His main areas of focus include energy, aviation, legal services, Indian states, and cross-cutting ease of doing business reforms. Prior to joining ITA, Mr. Nufrio worked for the Global Center of Greater Cincinnati (now the Greater Cincinnati World Affairs Council). At the Global Center, he designed and administered U.S. State Department and USAID international visitors programs for emerging industry, government, academic, and non-profit leaders from Russia and Eurasia. In addition, Mr. Nufrio previously worked at the Ohio House of Representatives for Representative Samuel Britton. David received his juris doctorate from the University of Cincinnati College of Law, with a focus on international trade, international business transactions, corporate

governance and negotiations. He also received a master of science in international political economy from the London School of Economics and a bachelor of arts in political science with a philosophy minor from the University of Cincinnati.

Paul Morris is the United States Secretary of the Trade Agreements Secretariat (TAS) at the United States Department of Commerce in Washington, DC. Secretary Morris is responsible for the fair and impartial administration of Free Trade Agreement (FTA) disputes, including 14 FTAs with 20 trading partners, and oversees TAS staff and a multi-million dollar budget. Secretary Morris has participated in FTA negotiations involving NAFTA, CAFTA-DR, T-TIP and TPP and provides advice related to FTA dispute settlement chapters, rules of procedure, codes of conduct, panelist rosters and remuneration agreements. Under Secretary Morris, TAS has provided a compliance mechanism for FTA enforcement actions involving over \$6 billion of subject merchandise and assisted more than 30 trade associations and U.S. companies employing 13 million U.S. workers. Previously, Secretary Morris was Deputy Director for Trade Remedy Compliance at the United States Department of Commerce responsible for coordinating the monitoring of foreign trade remedy investigations and ensuring trading partner compliance with international obligations. He provided policy guidance and worked closely with the USG interagency, especially the Office of the United States Trade Representative, routinely representing the United States at the World Trade Organization. He began his career as an Economist primarily engaged with law firms litigating antitrust and intellectual property disputes. He received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Nazareth College of Rochester and earned a Master of Arts in International Affairs from the George Washington University.