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South Carolina Department of Transportation

SCDOT Weekly Update - #14

The South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) has begun publishing a weekly update for the media and the public concerning the agency's financial situation and other important matters. This is an effort to clarify information that has been circulating in public venues that may have been distorted or confusing.

- Because of the short holiday week, this week's report and information from last week have been combined for the following update. SCDOT's cash balance position as of November 23, 2011, is as follows:
 - 1) The balance on Wednesday, November 23, 2011, stands at \$72.7 million.
 - 2) From November 9 through Nov. 23, SCDOT submitted \$63.9 million in invoices to the Comptroller General's Office for processing of payment.
 - 3) All South Carolina Transportation Infrastructure Bank payments and debt service payments are up to date.
 - 4) Vendors and contractors are encouraged to utilize the **SCDOT Accounting Hotline at 803-737-1227** to check on the status of payments.

Secretary of Transportation Robert St. Onge announced that Andy Leaphart was selected to the newly created position of Director of Support Services. Support Services is comprised of the Offices of Customer Relations, Information Technology, Facilities Management, Business Development & Special Programs and Communications. Leaphart will report directly to Secretary St. Onge.

Leaphart, of Lexington, began his SCDOT career in Traffic Engineering in 1992 after earning a B.S. degree in Civil Engineering from Clemson University. He spent the past four years serving as the Assistant Chief Engineer for Operations. He holds a Professional Engineer's license (PE). He is a graduate of Leadership South Carolina and the Certified Public Manager programs.

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