

January 15, 2009

The Honorable Lawrence J. Pogemiller
Senate Majority Leader
235 State Capitol

The Honorable Margaret Anderson Kelliher
Speaker of the House
463 State Office Building

Dear Senator Pogemiller and Speaker Kelliher:

Minnesota Management & Budget prepared this report on expenditure of I-35W bridge special compensation appropriations as directed in Minnesota Laws of 2008, Chapter 288, Section 6, which states:

Sec. 6. APPROPRIATIONS.

*Subdivision 1. **Compensation to survivors.** \$24,000,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of finance to make payments under settlement agreements entered into by the panel under Minnesota Statutes, section 3.7393, subdivision 11. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2010.*

*Subd. 2. **Supplemental payments.** \$12,640,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of finance to make supplemental payments under Minnesota Statutes, section 3.7393, subdivision 12. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2010.*

*Subd. 3. **Administrative expenses.** \$750,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of finance to pay salaries, expenses, and administrative costs associated with making offers of settlement and entering into settlement agreements under Minnesota Statutes, section 3.7393. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2009.*

*Subd. 4. **Waite House.** \$610,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of finance for a grant to Pillsbury United Communities in Minneapolis, to allow Waite House in Minneapolis to provide services to youth and families of youth who were on a school bus on the I-35W bridge when the bridge collapsed. Services paid for with this appropriation must not be services that could have been funded by settlement payments made to survivors. The commissioner must pay the first half of the grant by June 30, 2008, and pay the second half of the grant on June 30, 2009. Pillsbury United Communities must report to the chairs of the senate Finance and house Ways and Means Committees by June 30, 2009, and June 30, 2010, on expenditure of money under this subdivision. The appropriation is available until June 30, 2010.*

*Subd. 5. **Report.** The commissioner of finance must report to the legislature by January 15 in each of 2009, 2010, and 2011, on expenditure of the appropriations in this section. The report must list the amount of compensation paid to each survivor and must list administrative expenses incurred by the special master panel.*

Reporting methodology

This report was compiled using data from the Minnesota Accounting and Procurement System (MAPS). The attached table shows expenditures made from the date of enactment through December 31, 2008.

Questions regarding this report may be directed to Curt Yoakum at Minnesota Management & Budget (651) 201-8014.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom J. Hanson". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Tom Hanson
Commissioner

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**Report to Legislature on
I-35W Bridge Special Compensation Appropriations
Laws of 2008, Chapter 288
January 15, 2009**

Appropriation Name	Appropriation Amount	Amount Expended Through 12/31/08
Compensation to Survivors*	\$24,000,000	\$0
Supplemental Payments*	\$12,640,000	\$0
Administrative Expenses	\$ 750,000	\$ 420,105
Special Master Panel Services \$340,909		
Special Master Expenses/Staff Costs \$ 75,000		
Administrative Costs - Printing, Website, Communications, Postage and Supplies \$ 4,196		
Total \$420,105		
Waite House/Pillsbury United Communities	\$ 610,000	\$ 305,000
TOTALS	\$38,000,000	\$ 725,105

*These funds are expected to be expended by June 30, 2009, as settlement agreements are reached.