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This report is in response to the reporting requirement specified in Minn.Stat. 161.04, subdivision 5(c), which states:

By September 1, 2012, and in every subsequent even-numbered year by September 1, the commissioner shall submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the Senate and House of Representatives committees having jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance. The report must include the balance, as well as details of payments made from and deposits made to the trunk highway emergency relief account since the last report.

Since the last report which included activity through June 30, 2012, there have been payments from this account in the amount of \$2,055,287.72. Deposits made to the account since then total \$1,842,903.69, and are comprised of Federal Highway Administration reimbursements. The attached spreadsheet details transactions in the account. Four MnDOT districts have been reimbursed for expenses from four disasters.

A change to the law, effective August 1, 2013, allows the account to be used for infrastructure repair, maintenance and operations related to a disaster. Federal Highway Administration reimbursements are still required to be credited to the account. The law was also changed so that interest is no longer accrued to the account.

Report Development Cost

As required in Minn. Stat. 3.197, this document must contain the cost of preparing the report, including any cost incurred by another agency or another level of government. MnDOT staff costs were approximately \$1,000 to produce this report.