RE: Nomination for Eno Fellowship Award: Please Respond by February 22, 2000

Dear:

On behalf of the Board of Regents of the Eno Transportation Foundation’s Center for Transportation Leadership Development, I am writing to tell you about an exciting opportunity for graduate students studying transportation. The Eno Transportation Foundation will hold the ninth annual Leadership Development Conference on transportation public policy in Washington, DC, May 21-25, 2001.

This conference will bring together 20 top graduate students from university and college programs around the nation. They will meet with many of the nation's top policymakers and transportation leaders during an intensive five-day schedule of activities. The conference provides a forum for the students to interact, network and to gain perspectives on how transportation policies are drafted, debated, shaped and ultimately determined. Participants will be recognized as Eno Fellows and brought to Washington, all expenses paid. Fellows will take part in workshop sessions with top Administration and Congressional officials responsible for formulating and carrying out transport policies, as well as with industry leaders who have major influence in this process.

The Eno Transportation Foundation Leadership Development Conference’s purpose is to stimulate and foster early professional development and leadership qualities among the most promising graduate students preparing for transportation careers. The conference is the program's first building block. Throughout their careers, the program will provide Fellowship recipients opportunities designed to promote professional networking and greater understanding and cooperation between the many disciplines and interests they represent in transportation.

The program was conceived as a dynamic means to identify, encourage and support the early professional development of future transportation leaders. It is guided by some of the nation's most respected transportation educators and industry leaders. The program is made possible through the financial support of the transportation industry, and is administered by the Eno Transportation Foundation through its Center for Transportation Leadership Development.

Nomination Criteria

The Center's Board of Regents will select 20 individuals from the nominees to form the 2001 class of Eno Fellows entering the program. Participants must be nominated by their professors. Recently, mailings were sent to various transportation programs throughout the country inviting applications for the Leadership Development Conference. Each University is asked to nominate only one student from each transportation related discipline. The Conference is geared toward students in various transportation related programs, including: engineering, planning, public policy, public administration, economics, business, law, etc. While we ask the Professors to determine which student is most qualified and submit one nomination from each discipline, we welcome more than one
nomination per university for students enrolled in entirely separate programs (e.g. engineering and management).

Nominees are required to be graduate-level students pursuing a Masters or Doctoral degree in a transportation related discipline. Fellowship selections are based on the accomplishments and demonstrated leadership abilities of the applicant, intent to pursue a career in transportation, and interest in national transportation issues and the processes for resolving them. If selected, the student must be able to attend the entire conference.

If you are aware of qualified candidates, please be certain they contact their department or the Eno Transportation Foundation to explore this unique opportunity. Students are encouraged to compete within their discipline for a nomination and submit application materials by the February 23, 2001 deadline.

Application Instructions

The deadline for receipt of nominations at this office is **February 23, 2001**. Applications must include the following:

- **student's resume**;
- **letter of recommendation from the student's faculty advisor** evaluating the student's qualifications for this fellowship program; and,
- **one page statement of interest from the student**. The student should give reasons for wanting to participate in this conference and explain how the experience gained could benefit professional development.

Applications may be faxed to (202) 879-4719 or mailed to Robert Ritter, Eno Transportation Foundation, 1634 I Street NW, Suite 500, Washington DC  20006. Enclosed is a flyer calling for Nominations that you can use to solicit candidates, a brochure describing the program and a copy of last year's agenda. If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 879-4705.

Thank you very much for your interest in this program. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Robert Ritter
Director, Policy Activities

Enclosures:  2000 Program Brochure Flyer

cc:  Damian J. Kulash, President and CEO, Eno Transportation Foundation
Board of Regents, Center for Transportation Leadership Development