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DOT Mismanagement an Indictment of Walker Administration

Madison – Today State Senator Tim Carpenter (D-Milwaukee) released the following statement in response to the Audit Bureau’s report on the Wisconsin Department of Transportation.

“With yesterday’s scathing findings regarding Wisconsin’s DOT transportation audit, Governor Walker should finally be convinced to introduce a transportation budget separate from the general budget. It is difficult to imagine how the Governor could introduce a fiscally responsible state budget in less than two weeks when the figures on transportation projects have been ‘fudged’ for years.

This is yet another scandal that casts complete doubt on whether the Walker Administration can be trusted to be responsible with taxpayer dollars.

Today, Assembly Republican leadership requested the DOT to report back to them by March 15th with the real cost of transportation projects. It’s time for Governor Walker to show some leadership, do the responsible thing, and take the time to introduce a separate transportation budget after the DOT reports with accurate figures.

It is incumbent upon this administration to be honest and transparent with taxpayer dollars. As President Harry Truman said, ‘The buck stops here.’

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