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Dear Ms. Cantero

Application to join CoST, the Infrastructure Transparency Initiative

I am writing to inform you that the CoST Board has approved the application to join CoST from Jalisco. We would like to congratulate Jalisco on joining CoST as a sub-national member.

The Board was impressed with your application especially your plans to work with three municipalities and the addition of Jalisco State Government disclosing data on the MXN \$900m fibre optic project and the fact you have already reached out to the private sector and civil society and established an interim Multi-Stakeholder Group. It is clear from your letter that there is a strong commitment in Jalisco towards improving transparency and accountability in public infrastructure and that you are committed to establishing a formal disclosure requirement within a three year period.

Please discuss with the International Secretariat how you wish to publicly announce your membership of CoST and the support you will require in the coming months including fundraising.

Finally, we look forward to working with ITEI, the Municipalities of Guadalajara, Tonalá, Zapopan and the State Government of Jalisco and your partners from civil society and the private sector to ensure that CoST Jalisco is a success.

Yours sincerely

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