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December 1, 2023

Scott McDonald, Chair of Selectboard
Town of Allenstown
16 School Street
Allenstown, NH 03275

**Re: Allenstown Special One Time Bridge Payment – in Accordance with House Bill 2
Payment for Maintenance, Construction and Reconstruction of Municipally Owned Bridges**

Dear Mr. McDonald:

The following is notification of a one-time bridge payment being made available to your municipality in State Fiscal Year 2024 based on the passage of House Bill (HB) 2 effective July 2023. HB 2 directs the Department to divide and distribute a \$10 million one-time payment between all New Hampshire municipalities that have municipally owned bridges per state definitions. Fifty percent (50%) of the distribution is based on your municipality’s percentage of statewide municipal bridge deck surface area and the remaining fifty percent (50%) of the distribution is based on your municipality’s percentage of statewide population. This one-time bridge payment is not related at all to the quarterly block grant aid payments that a municipality receives. This payment can only be used on the maintenance, construction, or reconstruction of municipally owned bridges. These are non-lapsing funds. No funds appropriated under this section shall be used to supplant locally budgeted and approved funds for bridge maintenance or construction. The funds appropriated in this section may be considered unanticipated money under RSA 31:95-b and may be accepted and expended pursuant to RSA 31:95-b, II through IV, whether or not a political subdivision has adopted the provisions of RSA 31:95-b.

This one-time payment is anticipated to be available to the Town of Allenstown during the month of December 2023 as follows:

December 2023 Actual Bridge Payment: \$18,718.18

Happy holidays and please contact me at 271-6472 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

C. R. Willeke

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Municipal Highways Engineer
Bureau of Planning and Community Assistance

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