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U.S. CONFERENCE OF MAYORS PRESIDENT MIAMI MAYOR MANNY DIAZ & NEW YORK MAYOR MICHAEL BLOOMBERG LEAD MAYOR'S 08 ACTION FORUM ON INFRASTRUCTURE

New York, NY – U.S. Conference of Mayors President Miami Mayor Manny Diaz and Host New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, Co-Chair of the national infrastructure coalition Building America's Future will lead a meeting in New York City on **Thursday, August 14**, to discuss new and streamlined national infrastructure and transportation needs in cities across the nation. They will also be joined by Conference Vice President Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels, Conference CEO Tom Cochran and more than a dozen U.S. mayors.

Participating mayors will meet with the men and women who are responsible 24/7 for moving and operating major transportation systems in America, as mayors are also faced with moving goods, services, and travelers nationwide by air, rail, and highways. The purpose of the meeting is to develop an action agenda that will replace antiquated transportation and infrastructure systems, and serve to connect the metro-economic cities from coast to coast, in a way that is climate and energy efficient.

WHO: Dozens of mayors including:
Miami Mayor Manny Diaz, USCM President;
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels, USCM Vice President;
New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg;
Albuquerque Mayor Martin Chavez;
Austin Mayor Will Wynn;
Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter;
Columbus (OH) Mayor Michael B. Coleman;
Stamford (CT) Mayor Dannel Malloy; and
Meridian (MS) Mayor John Robert Smith.
Brian Pallasch - Managing Director, Government Relations and Infrastructure Initiatives, American Society of Civil Engineers
Anthony Perl - Professor of Urban Studies, Simon Fraser University in Vancouver, Canada

WHAT: Infrastructure Forum: **PRESS CONFERENCE AT 12 NOON**

WHEN: Thursday, August 14 at 12pm

WHERE: The W New York Hotel, 541 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10022

Mayor Diaz, the newly-elected President of the U.S. Conference of Mayors believes, "America's Problems demand national investments." *This will be second in a series of five Mayors '08 Action Forums*, a national effort in Philadelphia, New York, Los Angeles, Chicago and Miami, for mayors to develop the next metro urban agenda, that will be presented to the next President of the United States during their critical 100 days.