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PRESS CALL: 3.7 Million New Jobs Through Infrastructure Investments

San Francisco, CA - With millions unemployed, it is time to put Americans back to work rebuilding our public transit systems, roads, and bridges; manufacturing advanced transportation vehicles; and laying the foundation for long-term economic recovery, according to a report that will be released by the Apollo Alliance on a press call on **Wednesday, October 20, at 1:15 p.m.** with **Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH), USW President Leo Gerard, Chandra Brown, President of United Streetcar and Cathy Calfo, Executive Director of Apollo Alliance.** *Make it in America: The Apollo Clean Transportation Manufacturing Action Plan* (TMAP) calls for leveraging transportation investments to create a globally competitive transit and clean vehicle manufacturing sector and create hundreds of thousands of U.S. manufacturing jobs.

Elected leaders, economists and groups of all political stripes – from President Obama to the Chamber of Commerce - seem to agree on the fact that now is the time to invest in our nation's infrastructure. In the first study of its kind, the Apollo Alliance offers recommendations from a task force comprised of leaders in business, manufacturing, labor, and policy experts to address this issue. TMAP details how smart policies will leverage these infrastructure investments to create middle class jobs for Americans. New data from the Economic Policy Institute reveals that the TMAP investment scenario creates 3.7 million jobs - 600,000 alone in the manufacturing sector.

Continued underinvestment in infrastructure and a lack of environmentally sustainable transportation options has left roads and bridges crumbling, mass transit systems in disrepair, and a transportation sector that accounts for almost one-third of our nation's greenhouse gas emissions. At the same time, unemployment among construction workers is 17 percent and the U.S. has lost close to one-sixth of its manufacturing jobs during since the start of the recession. The time is now to employ a forward thinking national strategy to fix our infrastructure and create millions of jobs.

Who: Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH)
Leo Gerard, President, United Steel Workers
Chandra Brown, President, United Streetcar
Cathy Calfo, Executive Director, Apollo Alliance

What: Press call to release a new report from the Apollo Alliance: *Make it in America: The Apollo Clean Transportation Manufacturing Action Plan*

When: Wednesday, October 20, 2010

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The Apollo Alliance is a coalition of labor, business, environmental, and community leaders working to catalyze a clean energy revolution that will put millions of Americans to work in a new generation of high-quality, green-collar jobs.