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Subject: Montana Department of Transportation
Claims Report for the Period Ending December 31, 2024

Dear Ms. Lindsay:

Attached please find the Montana Department of Transportation's (MDT's) list of claims for the reporting period of October 2024 through December 2024.

If you need further information, please contact me at 406-444-7649.

Sincerely,

Valerie Balukas

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Montana Department of Transportation

Report of Claims, During the Quarter Ending December 31, 2024

NAME	Forum	Date of Service/Notice - Served/Filed Date of Loss	Date	NOTES	Agency	
Section 1: Claims in Litigation						
1	Cecrle, Jason	9th Judicial District Court, Teton County, DV-24-005	9/18/2023 - Notice 10/2/2020 - Loss	2/5/2024	Personal injury, motor vehicle accident, damages may exceed \$10,000	MDT
2	Lanning, Diane	4th Judicial District, Missoula County, DV-32-2023-1251	2/13/2024 - Notice 8/13/2022 - Loss	12/19/2023	Personal injury, trip and fall, may exceed \$10,000.	MDT
3	Mack, Cheyenne Estate of/Rogers, Kim	16th Judicial District, Rosebud County, DV-23-56	12/20/2021 - Notice 12/18/2020 - Loss	9/29/2023	Personal injury, motor vehicle accident, claim may exceed \$10,000.	MDT
4	Robison, Teri Lynn	3rd Judicial District, Deer Lodge County, DV-24-15	12/6/22 - Notice 8/15/2022 - Loss	3/6/2024	Personal injury, vehicle damage, damages may exceed \$10,000.	MDT
5	Schauers, Loren	4th Judicial District, Missoula County, DV-32-2022-1079	09/23/2022 - Notice 9/27/2019 - Loss	5/8/2023	Personal injury, negligence/no safeguards. Damages will exceed \$10,000.	MDT
6	Transystems, LLC	13th Judicial District, Yellowstone County, DV-56- 2024-875	9/17/2024 - Notice 12/11/2023 - Loss	9/11/2024	Personal injury, negligence, damages may exceed \$10,000	MDT
7	Tweddle, William "Trey"; Bolinger, Kirsten; Stanger, Haylie	22nd Judicial District, Carbon County, DV-22-75	10/8/2020 - Notice 9/16/2019 - Loss	9/7/2022	Personal injury, motor vehicle accident, damages may exceed \$10,000.	MDT
8	Vancos v. State and Gallatin County	Montana 18th Judicial District, Gallatin County, DV-2019-848 - remanded to D. Ct.	6/21/2017 - Notice 6/29/2016 - Loss	7/26/2019	Personal injury, pedestrian accident, may exceed \$10,000.	MDT
9	Wilson, Glenn	Montana 11th Judicial District, Flathead County, DV-15-2024- 1746	7/27/2023 - Loss 7/22/2024 - Notice	12/3/2024	Vehicle damage, personal injury, motor vehicle accident, damages may exceed \$10,000	MDT
Section 2: Pre-Litigation Claims						
10	Coladonato, Ruth	RMTD	3/17/2023 - Notice 3/15/2023 - Loss		Personal injury, property damage incident, damages may exceed \$10,000.	MDT

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11	Groft, Jason	RMTD	9/7/2022 - Notice 7/8/2022 - Loss	Personal Injury Claim, damages may exceed \$10,000.	MDT
12	Knerr Enterprises, INC (Thompson River Redi Mix)	RMTD	9/7/2022 - Notice	Negligence Claim, damages may exceed \$10,000.	MDT
13	Michnal, Mercedes	RMTD	08/11/2022 - Notice	Vehicle damage, damage claim, damages may exceed \$10,000.	MDT
14	Poole, Amanda	RMTD	3/2/2023 - Loss	Vehicle damage, personal injury, motor vehicle accident, damages may exceed \$10,000	MDT
15	Yetter, Sandra (Matthew, Estate of Jerome)	RMTD	6/3/2024 - Notice 11/16/2023 - Loss	Personal injury, motor vehicle accident, damages may exceed \$10,000	MDT
Section 3: DAMAGE CLAIMS					
16	Kauffman-Panek, Carlotta (Estate of Randall Panek)	RMTD	10/16/2024 - Notice 10/11/2021 - Loss	Personal Injury/Wrongful Death, damages may exceed \$10,000	MDT
17	Krein, Laneta	RMTD	6/27/2024 - Notice 6/26/2024 - Loss	Property damage, motor vehicle accident, damages may exceed \$10,000.	MDT
18	McGill, Larry	RMTD	6/7/2023 - Notice 5/15/2023 - Loss	Property damage, motor vehicle accident, damages may exceed \$10,000.	MDT
19	Murphy, Marvel J.	RMTD	2/9/2022 - Notice 1/4/2022 - Loss	Personal injury, property damage incident, damages will exceed \$10,000.	MDT
20	Parker, Julie (FedEx)	RMTD	8/3/2021 - Notice 8/2/2021 - Loss	Property damage, motor vehicle accident, damages may exceed \$10,000.	MDT
21	Peterson, Linda	RMTD	2/11/2021 - Notice 2/9/2021 - Loss	Personal injury, motor vehicle accident, damages may exceed \$10,000.	MDT
22	Sanchez, Kristin	RMTD	2/7/2023 - Notice 1/30/2023 - Loss	Vehicle damage of state owned vehicle, personal injury, damages may exceed \$10,000.	MDT