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Ms. Letitia Thompson
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Attn: Ms. Gail McFadden-Roberts
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RE: Amendment to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 Maryland Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to Reflect an Amendment to the Hagerstown/Eastern Panhandle Metropolitan Planning Organization FY 2010 Transportation Improvement Program to Add Job Access Reverse Commute Funding for Transit Operating Assistance for the "Hopewell Express" Service. MDOT Control # 10-26.

Dear Mr. Castellanos and Ms. Thompson:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) hereby amends the FY 2010 Maryland Statewide Transportation Improvement Program to reflect an Amendment to the Hagerstown/Eastern Panhandle MPO Transportation Improvement Program to add Operating Assistance to be provided through the Federal Transit Administration Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) program to support the "Hopewell Express" service. The action was approved by the Interstate Council on August 25, 2010. A STIP amendment form and a letter of approval from the MPO Director are attached.

The Maryland Statewide Transportation Improvement Program continues to be fiscally constrained. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-865-1295, toll-free at 888-713-1414 or via email at mnixon@mdot.state.md.us.

Sincerely,

Michael W. Nixon

Michael W. Nixon, Manager
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Attachment

cc: Mr. Ian Beam, Regional Planner, Office of Planning and Capital Programming, Maryland Department of Transportation
Ms. Elizabeth Kreider, Director, Local Transit Support, Maryland Transit Administration
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August 25, 2010

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RE: HEPMPO FY 2010-2013 TIP Amendments

Dear Mr. Nixon:

Please be advised that the Hagerstown/Eastern Panhandle MPO Interstate Council took action via e-mail poll on August 25, 2010 to conditionally approve the following emergency amendment to the FY 2010-2013 TIP:

FEDERAL PROJECT #	PROJECT NAME	CHANGE/ADDITION
Pending	**JARC Operating Assistance for the Hopewell Express Transit route**	**New Project**

This amendment is conditionally approved contingent on public comment and will be ratified at our next regular meeting on September 15, 2010. Copies of the amendment information including the HEPMPO resolution, updated summary sheets, and updated financial summaries will be submitted after ratification of the amendment at our next meeting. If you have any questions regarding this action, please contact Jill Baker at 240-313-2433.

Sincerely,

Robert S. Gordon

Robert S. Gordon
MPO Director

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HAGERSTOWN/EASTERN PANHANDLE MPO
FY 2010 - 2013
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Project Code _____ STIP# _____

Project Name: Washington County Community Action Council JARC Operating Assistance Hopewell Express

Improvement Description: Washington County CAC is requesting operating funds to support the continuance of the Hopewell Express. This service was developed out of concern that the employers in the Newgate/Hunters Green Business Park area had a need for workers and the Department of Social Services had a desire for employment based transportation to assist their Temporary Cash Assistance clients. Service was previously provided by Washington County Commuter but was discontinued. The CAC proposes to provide this service to be Supported by JARC operating funds.

Responsible Agency: Washington County Community Action Council/Maryland Transit Administration

Funding: Job Access Reverse Commute Operating Assistance Ratio 50% Federal/50% Local

Related Projects: _____

Comments: _____

Funding Type		FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	TOTAL
JARC	Federal	$ 78,300			**$ 78,300**
	Local	78,300			**78,300**
	Total	$156,600			**$ 156,600**

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Re: Amendment to the FY 2010 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program,
Hagerstown Metropolitan Area Amendment MDOT Control #10-26 and
Statewide Amendment MDOT Control #10-25

Dear Mr. Halligan:

In letters dated September 1, 2010, the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) requested approval of two amendments to the FY 2010 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). These STIP amendments add Job Access and New Freedom funds for Statewide capital and operating projects and for an operating project in the Hagerstown metropolitan region.

Since the advancement of these projects does not alter any conformity findings nor interfere with any State Implementation Plan projects, a joint Federal Transit Administration (FTA)/Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approval of these STIP amendments is not required. In accordance with your procedures to incorporate the MTIPs into the STIP by reference, these projects are part of an approved amendment to the approved FY 2010 STIP. We hereby approve the inclusion of these projects as amendments to the STIP. This approval does not constitute an obligation of federal funds. FTA finalizes federal funding for projects included in the STIP upon approval of a grant application.

Gail McFadden-Roberts, of my staff, is available if you have any questions concerning this approval.

Sincerely,

Michele Destra

Michele Destra, Director
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