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RE: Amendment to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Maryland Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the FY 2011-2016 Transportation Improvement Program for the Washington Metropolitan Region. MDOT Control #11-04.

Dear Mr. Castellanos and Ms. Thompson:

The Maryland Department of Transportation hereby amends the FY 2011 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the FY 2011-2016 Transportation Improvement Program for the Washington Metropolitan Region. The TIP was approved by the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board on November 17, 2010 and was subsequently found to meet air quality conformity requirements by the Environmental Protection Agency and the US Department of Transportation on February 9, 2011. MDOT concurs with this endorsement. A copy of the document is attached.

The Maryland STIP continues to be fiscally constrained. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-865-1295. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael W. Nixon".

Michael W. Nixon, Manager
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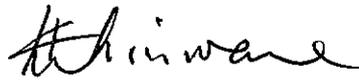
Dear Mr. Halligan:

We have completed our review of the State request (MDOT Control # 11-04) to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the FY 2011-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Washington Metropolitan Region. On February 9, 2011, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) completed our review of the Air Quality Conformity Determination of the Metropolitan of the Washington Metropolitan Region 2010 Constrained Long-Range Plan (CLRP) and FY 2011-2016 TIP. We find that the 2010 CLRP and the FY 2011-2016 TIP conform to the region's State Implementation Plans and that the conformity determination has been performed in accordance with the Transportation Conformity Rule (40 CFR Part 93) as amended.

Therefore, based on the above, and in accordance with 23 CFR450.326, the FY 2011 STIP is hereby amended to include all Maryland highway projects in FY 2011-2016 TIP for the Washington Metropolitan Region.

If you have any questions, regarding this STIP amendment please contact Kwame Arhin at (410) 779-7158.

Sincerely yours,


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Division Administrator



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Re: Amendment to the FY 2011 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program,
Wilmington and Washington, DC metropolitan areas, MDOT control #11-04 and #11-06

Dear Mr. Halligan:

In letters dated February 9 and February 15, 2011, the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) requested approval of an amendment to the FY 2011 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This STIP amendment revises capital assistance for Cecil County and incorporates the transit portion of the FY 2011 Washington Metropolitan Area TIP in the STIP. This action grants MDOT full approval of the FY 2011 STIP that received partial approval on December 17, 2010.

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 this STIP amendment 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 2011 STIP. We hereby approve the inclusion of these projects as an amendment 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, Director
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