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Mr. Donald A. Halligan  
Director  
Office of Planning and Capital Programming  
Maryland Department of Transportation  
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Re: Amendment to the FY 2011 State Transportation Improvement Program,  
Baltimore Metropolitan Area Amendment MDOT Control #11-01

Dear Mr. Halligan:

In a letter dated January 7, 2011, the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) requested approval of an amendment to the FY 2011 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This STIP amendment adds \$260,000 in Section 5309 funds for the Howard Street Revitalization project in Baltimore City. This project was selected for funding under the Bus and Bus Livability initiative.

Since the advancement of this project 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, this project is part of an approved amendment to the approved FY 2011 STIP. We hereby approve the inclusion of this project 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  
Office of Planning and Program Development

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