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Mr. Donald A. Halligan  
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Re: Amendment to the FY 2010 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program,  
Baltimore Metropolitan Area Amendment MDOT control #11-03

Dear Mr. Halligan:

In letters dated January 28, 2011, the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) requested approval of an amendment to the FY 2011 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This STIP amendment adds three new State of Good Repair projects (bus wash replacement, new Bush maintenance shop, bus diesel engine replacement) in the Baltimore metropolitan area.

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,

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Office of Planning and Program Development

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