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**Re: Amendment to the FY 2014 Maryland Statewide Transportation Improvement
Program, MDOT Control #14-34**

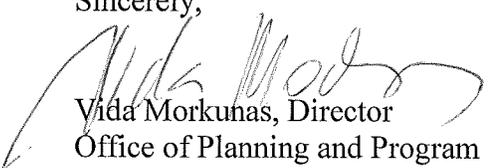
Dear Mr. Nixon:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) requested approval of an Amendment to the FY 2014 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) (Control#14-34 dated December 18, 2014). The Amendment adds additional funding for both the Metro Railcar Overhaul and the Kirk Bus Facility Replacement to the STIP. This amendment also adds the Charm City Circulator Electrification project to the STIP.

These projects do not alter any conformity findings nor interfere with any State Implementation Plan projects. Per agreement, a joint Federal Transit Administration (FTA)/Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approval of this STIP Amendment is not required. FTA hereby approves the continuation 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.

Ms. Kathleen Zubrzycki, Community Planner, of my staff, is available at (215) 656-7262 if you have questions concerning this approval.

Sincerely,


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