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Ms. Heather Murphy  
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**Re: Amendment to the Maryland FY 2017 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program - MDOT Control # 17-67**

Dear Ms. Murphy:

We have completed our review of the State request (MDOT Control#17-67) to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Specifically, the STIP is being amended to include the FY 2018-2021 Salisbury/Wicomico Metropolitan Planning Organization (SWMPO) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP was adopted by the SWMPO on November 28, 2017. No new regionally significant projects were added to the FY 2018-2021 TIP or the regional transportation plan *Connect 2045*. Therefore, the TIP and *Connect 2045* conformity determination rely on the November 5, 2015, regional analysis adopted by the SWMPO Council on November 24, 2015, as part of *Connect 2045* plan.

Any questions concerning this amendment should be directed to Kwame Arhin, Planning & Program Manager, FHWA Maryland Division, at (410) 779-7158, or Ryan Long, Community Planner, FTA Region III, at (215) 656-7051.

Sincerely,

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