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Ms. Heather Murphy
Director, Office of Planning and Capital Programming
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**Re: Amendment to the FY 2017 Maryland Statewide Transportation Improvement Program,
MDOT Control #17-75**

Dear Ms. Murphy:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) requested approval of an Amendment to the FY 2017 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) (Control #17-75 dated January 29, 2018 via email). This Amendment increases Section 5307 and 5339 funding to the Hagerstown/Eastern Panhandle Metropolitan Planning Organization's 2017-2020 TIP for capital and operating assistance to Washington County Transit.

Per agreement, a joint Federal Transit Administration (FTA)/Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approval of this STIP Amendment is not required. Based on our review of the information provided, the FTA hereby approves this Amendment to the STIP and finds it consistent with the requirements of 23 U.S.C. 135 and 49 U.S.C. 5304. 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.

Mr. Ryan Long, Community Planner, of my staff, is available at (215) 656-7051 if you have questions concerning this approval.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Zubrzycki, Director
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