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

Dear Ms. Murphy:

We have completed our review of the State request (MDOT Control#17-17) to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Specifically, the STIP is being amended to include the FY 2017-2022 National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP was adopted by the MPO Council on November 16, 2016. On February 27, 2017, FHWA and FTA approved the Air Quality Conformity Determination for the MPO's 2016 Constrained Long Range Plan and the FY 2017-2022 TIP.

We accept this amendment and find that it was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process, in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 134, 23 U.S.C. 135 and 49.

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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