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Mr. William E. Watson, P.E.
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RE: Rockingham MPO 2017-2020 TIP Administrative Modification Amendments (NHDOT Minor Revisions – March, 2018)

Dear Bill:

We have received the above-referenced requests to amend six (6) projects in the Rockingham MPO <u>FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program</u> under our Administrative Modifications procedures. The modifications proposed are summarized as follows and are more fully described in the "2017-2020 TIP Revision Report" for March, 2018 which is attached.

March, 2018 request six (6) projects proposed for administrative modification within the region:

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| Project | | | | Cost | |
| Number | Location | Project Scope | Proposed Project Changes | Change | Approved |
| 26942 | East Kingston | NH 107A over B&M Railroad & Road, Superstructure Replacement and Substructure Rehab, Br No 061/064 | Decrease cost due to results of bids | (\$65,591) | Yes |
| 28757 | Portsmouth | Bicycle lanes on Lafayette Road and Middle Street. | Estimate updated to reflect contract amounts | \$31,994 | Yes |
| TA | Statewide Program | Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) | Adjusted to accommodate necessary updates in children project fund amounts | \$100 | Yes |
| 12334 | Salem | Reconstruct Depot Intersection NH28 (Broadway) & NH 97 (Main Street) add turn lanes on NH28 MUPCA | Increase due to handling of potential contaminated materials during Con | \$147,782 | Yes |
| 13933A | Salem to Manchester | Mainline, State Line to Exit 1 NB & SB | Inflation decreased due to first estimate in Federal FY 2018 | (\$377,127) | Yes |
| 41510 | Seabrook - Hampton | Interim repairs to the Hampton Harbor bascule lift bridge carrying NH 1A over Hampton River | Increase due to bid items and results | \$113,080 | Yes |

Net Change (\$149,761)

Project

We concur that these projects changes are eligible for amendment through the Administrative Modification process.

Our TIP Amendment procedures (Section 6.5, MPO <u>Prospectus</u>) allow such modifications by action of the Executive Director provided that no exceptions are raised by MPO members. MPO TAC and Policy members were notified by email of the proposed modifications on March 13th, 2018 and asked to respond with any comment by end of business on March 15th, 2018. As of that date I received no requests from MPO members that the changes be handled as a full amendment.

It was determined through Interagency Consultation (IAC) that the revisions do not impact the air quality conformity determination or change the financial constraint of the STIP. Based on this information the administrative modifications are approved. By copy of this letter I am informing the New Hampshire office of the FHWA, Region 1 of FTA and NHDES – Air Resources Division of this action. Please contact me should you have any questions about our actions.

Sincerely,

Tim Roache

Executive Director

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