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Illinois Division

March 10, 2009

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Mr. Dick Smith
Director of Planning and Programming
Illinois Department of Transportation
2300 South Dirksen Parkway
Springfield, IL 62764

Attention: Mr. Leslie Nunes
Bureau of Urban Program Planning

Subject: Transportation Improvement Program Amendment
Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning

Dear Mr. Smith:

Based upon our review and consultation with the Federal Transit Administration, we approve the FY 2009-2012 Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) as submitted with your January 30, 2009, letter as an amendment to the FY 2009-2012 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This TIP includes State sponsored projects as updated by a February 24, 2009, Administrative Modification, funded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

With this approval, project authorization requests to the Federal Highway Administration may be considered for projects included in this STIP amendment provided that such requests are submitted in accordance with our December 29, 1995, letter to the Illinois Department of Transportation, subject "Transportation Planning Support for Obligation of Federal-aid Highway Project Funds."

Sincerely,

Jon-Paul Kohler
Planning and Program Development Manager

For: Norman R. Stoner, P.E.
Division Administrator

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cc: Mr. Jim Stack, Bureau of Urban Program Planning, IDOT
Mr. Tom Kelso, Bureau of Urban Program Planning, IDOT
Mr. Steve Ernst, Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning
Mr. Stephen Polito, Federal Transit Administration



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Jan. 30, 2009

Mr. Norman R. Stoner
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration
3250 Executive Park Drive
Springfield, Illinois 62703

Attention: John Donovan

Dear Mr. Stoner:

Attached for your approval and use in accordance with paragraph 23 CFR 450.324 is a copy of the 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program for the Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning, the recognized MPO for the Rockford Urbanized Area. The Policy Committee of the MPO approved this TIP on Sept. 2, 2008.

We consider the estimate of costs included in the Transportation Improvement Program to be realistic. We concur with the fiscal consistency analysis included in the TIP. The total cost of the TIP remains consistent with the amount of funds expected to be available to this area during the TIP time period. The Department, on behalf of the Governor of Illinois, concurs with the projects listed in this TIP.

The State of Illinois would also like to amend its FY 2009-2012 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program to incorporate the Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning Transportation Study's FY 2009-2012 TIP.

If you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact Tom Kelso at 785-2996.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Les Nunes'.

Les Nunes, Chief
Urban Program Planning