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Mr. Will Kempton, Director
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Attention: Rachel Falsetti, Division of Transportation Programming, MS-82

Dear Mr. Kempton:

Re: Federal Transportation Improvement Program; Amendment # 17

We have completed our review of the Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG) 2006/07 to 2011/12 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment # 17, as requested by your letter of June 11, 2008.

Based on the documentation submitted by SCAG, we find the RTIP as amended conforms to the applicable state implementation plan per the requirements of 40 CFR Part 93. The conformity determination relies on the previous regional emissions analysis for the Regional Transportation Plan and FTIP. This conformity finding was made in consultation with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region IX office.

We find SCAG's FTIP Amendment #17 was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 & 135, 49 USC 5303-5305, and 23 CFR 450. The California Department of Transportation assures this amendment has met the financial constraint requirements included in our transportation planning regulations, i.e. 23 CFR 450.324(e).

This letter constitutes approval of Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) Amendment # 17. The SCAG FTIP Amendment # 17 is approved and included into California's 2006/07-08/09 FSTIP, with the understanding the eligibility of individual projects is subject to the applicant's satisfaction of all FTA and FHWA administrative requirements.

This approval is based on the California Department of Transportation's assurance that the funding for this amendment does not adversely impact the FSTIP Financial Plan.

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If you have any questions regarding this determination, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Michelle Noch of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Office at (213) 202-3953 or Mr. Ted Matley of the Federal Transit Administration at (415) 744-2590.

Sincerely,

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