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Ms. Britta Stein
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Nashville, Tennessee 37211

Re: FY 2008-11 TIP Amendments for Nashville Area MPO

Dear Ms. Stein:

We are requesting approval of the attached Amendment 304 to the Tennessee State's Transportation Improvement Program. I have attached an amendment package which includes amendment numbers 2010-001 through 2010-049 to the Nashville TIP. The amendments consist of changes made to balance the MPO's TIP to account for the 2009 rescission of federal funds.

The following information is included:

1. A checklist indicating that all requirements for amendments were met. This checklist is based on submitted assurances from the Nashville Metropolitan Transportation Organization. TDOT Local Programs office is in concurrence with the amendments to the STIP.
2. A letter from the MPO listing the amendments being made. The letter states that the changes leave the plan financially constrained. We have independently verified these figures and agree with this statement.
3. A resolution, properly signed by the TIP Chairman of the MPO Executive Board and the MPO director.
4. A Transportation Conformity Checklist.
5. Individual project sheets for each project. In the case of amended or adjusted projects, there are two sheets. One is labeled "original" and shows the project funding prior to the amendment/adjustment. The other is labeled "revised" and shows the project funding following the amendment/adjustment.
6. A conformity determination for the Nashville Long Range Transportation Plan.

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7. Two sets of financial summary sheets. One shows the funds disposition prior to the amendments. The second sheet shows the funds disposition after the changes to the TIP.
8. A spreadsheet showing the individual projects and each of the fund groups where there is a change.

The Nashville MPO has provided documentation that the public involvement process was followed and this amendment leaves the TIP financially constrained.

Based on a review of the attached material, we believe that the MPO has followed appropriate procedures and met all requirements necessary to permit approval of this amendment and request your concurrence with this assessment.

I trust this information is sufficient to allow approval of the presented amendments. If we need to provide any additional information please contact Larry McGoogin at 615-532-3160 or Larry.McGoogin@tn.gov.

Sincerely,



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