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Mr. Roger Driskell
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Subject: Transportation Improvement Program Amendment
Chicago Metropolitan Area

Dear Mr. Driskell:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approves the highway amendments and accepts the administrative modifications to the FY 2014-2019 Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) Transportation Improvement Program, and the FY 2015-2018 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), as submitted with your letter dated April 25, 2016.

Based upon the joint FHWA/Federal Transit Administration Certification Review and our ongoing Federal oversight of the planning activities in the Chicago Metropolitan Planning Organization, we find that the transportation planning process of this region substantially meets the planning requirements described in 23 CFR 450. We can now consider project authorization requests related to this STIP amendment.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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