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Subject: Johnson City MTPO Fiscal Year 2018 Unified Planning Work Program

Dear Ms. Hall:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for the Johnson City Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO).

In coordination with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Region Four Office, the FHWA Tennessee Division has performed a review of the FY 2018 UPWP for the Johnson City MTPO. Based on this review, we have determined that the document satisfies the requirements of 23 United States Code (U.S.C.) Section 134, 49 U.S.C. Section 5303, 23 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 420 and 450, and 2 CFR Part 200. Additionally, we have determined that all Federal comments on the draft UPWP have been adequately addressed.

Accordingly, and as delegated in the Memorandum of Agreement between the Federal Transit Administration Region Four and the Federal Highway Administration Tennessee Division, the FHWA approves the Johnson City MTPO's FY 2018 UPWP.

The Federal funds for FY 2018 will be available upon an approved authorization. Expenditures incurred without prior authorization will not be reimbursed.

Expenditure invoicing and progress reports should continue to be submitted quarterly, with copies provided to FHWA.

As has been discussed with TDOT and the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), FHWA intends to coordinate with TDOT and the MPOs early in the development of the next cycle of UPWPs to identify further opportunities to improve the detail and consistency of the documents statewide.

Finally, we commend your staff's efforts in the development and review of the Johnson City MTPO's UPWP. If you have any questions, please contact Sean Santalla by phone at (615) 781-5767 or by email at sean.santalla@dot.gov.

Sincerely,



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