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Mr. John Horsley
Executive Director, American Association of
State Highway and Transportation Officials
444 N Capitol Street, NW.
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Horsley:

This is in response to Jim McDonnell's letter of December 2 requesting waiver of non-Federal funding for nine American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Engineering Technical Service Programs. These include:

- National Transportation Product Evaluation Program (NTPEP)
- Snow and Ice Cooperative Program (SICOP)
- Technology Implementation Group (TIG)
- Advance Equipment Technology Operations (AETO)
- Safe, Reliable, and Secure Transportation Operations (Safety)
- National Partnership for Highway Quality (NPHQ)
- AASHTO Product Evaluation Listing (APEL)
- Load and Resistance Factor Design Maintenance Program (LRFD)
- Technical Service Program to Develop AASHTO Materials Standards

We have determined that each of these programs meet the criteria for use of State Planning and Research (SP&R) funds used for Research, Development and Technology Transfer activities without non-Federal funding match. States are authorized to proceed with participation in these programs using 100 percent SP&R funding. Participating states will provide their funds directly to AASHTO for the project.

You may contact John Moulden at (202-493-3470 or john.moulden@dot.gov, if you have any questions about this waiver. Please let us know if we can be of any further assistance on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: Jim McDonnell, AASHTO

