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Mr. Zane Pulver Management and Program Analyst Federal Highway Administration – Utah Division 2520 West 4700 South, Suite 9A Salt Lake City, UT 84129

Re: Acceptance of Lead-State Role for Study No. TPF-5(526) "Western Transportation Research Consortium"

Dear Mr. Pulver:

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) is the lead state for the pooled fund study TPF-5(526) "Western Transportation Research Consortium." UDOT accepts the role of lead agency and agrees to receive, obligate, expend, and manage contributions from participating agencies.

The participating agencies are requested to submit a copy of this letter with their funding transfer request for this project to their respective FHWA Division Office for concurrence.

If you or the study participants have any questions regarding this study, please contact David Stevens with the UDOT Research & Innovation Division at: P.O. Box 148410, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-8410; ph. 801-589-8340; or email davidstevens@utah.gov.

Sincerely,

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CC: Tymli Frierson/FHWA, Tricia Sergeson/FHWA, Kim Robins/UDOT; Research contacts in California, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, and Washington state DOTs