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Mr. Joe Balice FHWA Wisconsin Division 525 Junction Road Suite 8000 Madison, WI 53707

Dear Mr. Balice:

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is requesting approval of a waiver for the non-federal matching requirement for SPR funding under 23 CFR 420.121(d) for a new lead-state pooled fund, "Axle and Length Classification Factor Analysis and Effects on Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT)."

Please find attached a proposal for the project that includes an overview, a description of proposed research objectives and structure, scope of work, study governance and timeframe, and parameters for budget and commitment levels.

Given that we've had some brief discussion about this project, I'm hopeful that FHWA will be able to grant the waiver by October 23, 2015. This will aid us greatly as we enter FFY2016.

Please contact me or Lynn Hanus if you have any questions or concerns about this request.

Sincerely,

Lori Richter, Chief

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