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Subject: TPF-5(488) Southeast Transportation Research Consortium – Phase II Acceptance Letter

Dear Ms. Phillips,

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) through the Louisiana Transportation Research Center (LTRC) is the lead agency for the Southeast Transportation Research Consortium – Phase II Pooled Fund Study, TPF-5(488). DOTD accepts this role of Lead Agency and agrees to receive, obligate, expend, and manage contributions from participating agencies.

Participating states are requested to submit a copy of this letter with their funding transfer requests (FORM FHWA-1575C) for this project to their respective FHWA Division Office for concurrence. The form FHWA 1575C is available on the homepage of the TPF website (www.pooledfund.org). In order to facilitate communication, please add the following text to the box labeled “Enter Item #, Pooled Fund Project Number, and Description, or any additional information”: Please notify Tyson Rupnow (Tyson.Rupnow@la.gov) and Samuel Cooper, Jr. (Samuel.Cooper@la.gov) when the funding transfer is complete.

For organizations that wish to contribute non-federal funds to the pooled fund study, please contact me for further instructions.

Please contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Samuel Cooper, Jr.", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Samuel B. Cooper, Jr.
Director
Louisiana Transportation Research Center