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Dear Mr. Backlund:

The Kansas Department of Transportation is the lead state for the pooled fund study TPF-5(535) “Human-centered Steel Bridge Inspection enabled by Augmented Reality and Artificial Intelligence”. The Kansas Department of Transportation 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 form for this project to their respective FHWA Division Office for concurrence.

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact David Behzadpour, P.E., Technology Transfer Engineer, at (785) 291-3847 or david.behzadpour@ks.gov.

Sincerely,

Calvin E. Reed, P.E.
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