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Mr. Zane Pulver
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2520 West 4700 South, Suite 9A
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Re: Acceptance of Lead-State Role for Study No. TPF-5(542) “Passive Force Behavior for Skewed Bridge Abutments During Combined Lateral and Rotational Loading”

Dear Mr. Pulver:

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) is the lead state for the pooled fund study TPF-5(542) “Passive Force Behavior for Skewed Bridge Abutments During Combined Lateral and Rotational Loading.” 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,

Cameron Kergaye
Research & Innovation Director

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CC: Tricia Sergeson/FHWA, Kim Robins/UDOT; Research contacts in California, New York, and South Carolina state DOTs