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Memorandum

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Subject: **INFORMATION:** Transportation Pooled
Fund (TPF) Solicitation #1518 “Accelerated
Testing of Untreated Reinforce Concrete Deck
and Other Superstructure Components”

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This memorandum is in response to the September 11, 2020 e-mail from Sutapa Bandyopadhyay of your staff, requesting the waiver of the non-Federal funding match for State Planning and Research–Subpart B (SP&R-Subpart B) funds for TPF solicitation 1518 “Accelerated Testing of Untreated Reinforce Concrete Deck and Other Superstructure Components”. We understand that the New Jersey Department of Transportation will be the lead agency for this project.

The proposed study meets the criteria for use of SP&R–Subpart B funds used for research and development studies without non-Federal matching funds. The approval status will be reflected on the Transportation Pooled Fund website: www.pooledfund.org, which serves as the primary mechanism for communication regarding pooled fund studies.

It is important to remember that the lead agency contact is required to report on the status of the pooled fund study on a timely basis. The lead agency contact should notify Tricia Sergeson via email at Patricia.Sergeson@dot.gov and Masha Shelton at Masha.Shelton.ctr@dot.gov when the contract is signed and electronic copies of the quarterly and final reports and other relevant study documents are posted on the Transportation Pooled Fund website. By doing so, the lead agency will be fulfilling its obligation to provide information to its partners on the status of the project.

Robert Zobel, Research Civil Structural Engineer in the Office of Infrastructure Research and Development will be the Federal Highway Administration's Technical Liaison for this study. Mr. Zobel can be reached via telephone at (202) 493-3024 or e-mail: Robert.Zobel@dot.gov. We hope that Mr. Zobel will have the opportunity to participate in the study activities as a technical resource to the project.

You may contact Tricia Sergeson via telephone (202) 493-3166 or email at Patricia.Sergeson@dot.gov if you have questions or need further assistance.