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Mr. Steven Call Planning and Technology Engineer Federal Highway Administration 2520 West 4700 South, Suite 9A Salt Lake City, UT 84118-1847

Re: Evaluation of Spliced Sleeve Connections for Precast RC Bridge Piers

Dear Mr. Call:

The Utah Department of Transportation is the lead state for the pooled fund study TPF-5(257) "Evaluation of Spliced Sleeve Connections for Precast RC Bridge Piers."

The Utah 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.

Please contact Daniel Hsiao, P.E. Research Manager, 4501 South 2700 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84119, 801-965-4638, or dhsiao@utah.gov, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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