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Mr. Donald Cameron
Planning and Program Development Manager
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315 West Allegan Street, Room 211
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Subject: Request for State Planning & Research Waiver of Match for the proposed Pooled Fund
Study: *The Use of Bridge Management Software in the Network Analysis of Big Bridges*

Dear Mr. Cameron:

On July 22, 2013 your office approved our request to solicit the subject proposed pooled fund study on the national Transportation Pooled Fund Program website and the study was added to our fiscal year 2013 State Planning and Research, Part II annual work plan for solicitation only.

To date, we have Iowa, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania Departments of Transportation who have expressed interest in this research study. So that the states may use 100 percent State Planning and Research (SPR) funds for the conduct of this study, the Michigan Department of Transportation would like to request your approval of a waiver of the state match requirement.

A copy of the study's problem statement is attached. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at 517-636-7777 or Mr. Andre' D. Clover, SPR-II Program Manager. Andre' can be reached at 517-636-6053.

Sincerely,

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Engineer of Research

Enclosure(s)

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