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May 18, 2009

Mr. Peter K. Rahn, Director
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RE: Joplin Metropolitan Area
FY 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement
Program, Joplin Area Transportation Study
Organization (JATSO), Approval to Incorporate
TIP Amendment into FY-2009-2013 STIP

Dear Mr. Rahn:

As requested in your letter dated May 18, 2009, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has reviewed the requested amendments to the FY- 2009-2013 Missouri State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the Joplin area Transportation Study Organization's (JATSO) amendment to the FY 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). These amended projects include a new bus storage facility project for MAPS, Metropolitan Area Paratransit System. The project is planned to be funded under the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009.

In accordance with CFR 450.218(b), we have determined that this STIP amendment is based on a transportation planning process that substantially meets the requirements of 23 U.S.C. 134 and 135, 49 U.S.C. 5303 and 5304, and 23 CFR 450 Subparts A, B, and C. Public involvement considerations were met and fiscal constraint ensured. Based on our review, this STIP amendment is approved. If you have any questions, please contact: Mr. John W. Schmidt, at 816-329-3938.

Sincerely,

Mokhtee Ahmad
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Dear Mr. Ahmad:

SUBJECT: Joplin Metropolitan Area
FY 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program
Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization (JATSO)
Approval to Incorporate TIP Amendment into FY 2009-2013 STIP

As required by the 2005 Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) for the 21st Century, Governor Nixon has approved the TIP amendment which includes the addition of one local transit project for the Joplin area.

Enclosed is a copy of the Governor's approval letter and supporting documentation. The JATSO Policy Board approved the TIP amendment on May 5, 2009. All public involvement considerations were met and fiscal constraint has been ensured.

We request approval of incorporating this TIP amendment into the FY 2009-2013 STIP at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Eric J. Curtit
Long-Range Transportation Planning Coordinator

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Enclosure

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Project Information									Funding Details											TIP Coordination			
County	Route	Job No	Project Sponsor	Tentative Award MPO Fiscal Year	Tentative Award State Fiscal Year	Description of Location / Improvement / Funding	Total Project Cost	Requested Additional Funds	2009 Funds	2010 Funds	2011 Funds	2012 Funds	Funding from available STIP funds	New Sources of Funding	Source	Federal Share	State Share	Local Share	AC Share	AC Conversion Year	Previous ONEDOT approval	MPO Name	TIP#
Jasper	Transit	NA	MAPS (City of Joplin transit)	2009	2009	Provide benches and shelters for riders at trolley stops at various locations in the JATSO area; Improvements to MAPS office; Vehicle equipment; Bus storage facility	\$1,070,255	\$1,070,255	\$1,070,255	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,070,255	ARRA	\$1,070,255	\$0	\$0	\$0	-	Yes - in JATSO TIP for \$525,750	JATSO	-