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Mr. Keith M. Sherman, Acting Bureau Chief  
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Illinois Department of Transportation  
2300 South Dirksen Parkway  
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RE: Amendment to Illinois FY 2009-2012 STIP

Dear Mr. Sherman:

We have received your January 14, 2010 request for approval of the STIP amendment to the FY 2009-2012 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to incorporate the amendment to the 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Champaign Urbana Urbanized Area Transportation Study. This amendment will incorporate the following projects utilizing FY 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Transit Investments for Greenhouse Gas and Energy Reduction (TIGGER) funds:

- (5) Hybrid Vehicles for ADA and Direct Service - \$630,000
- Geothermal HVAC System & Permeable Paving at Administration Building - \$450,000

We have determined that this STIP amendment is financially constrained and that the project is consistent with the MPO and statewide transportation plan. We also find that the above referenced STIP amendment is the result of a transportation planning process that substantially complies with the requirements of 23 CFR 450. In accordance with 23 CFR 450.220, we approve this STIP amendment. This approval is only for the projects that use FTA funds for eligible activities. Please refer to our program circulars for information on eligible funding expenses. If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Taylor at (312) 353-4343.

Sincerely,

*for*  
Marisol R. Simón  
Regional Administrator