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January 22, 2014

Mr. Gregory Murrill Division Administrator Federal Highway Administration City Crescent Building Suite 2450 10 South Howard Street Baltimore MD 21201

Attn: Mr. Edwin Gonzalez

Dear Mr. Murrill:

The Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) is pleased to forward its annual Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance status report to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). This letter will highlight SHA's 2013 accomplishments. Although the complaint that triggered the report of our progress is resolved and our obligations are met, we are providing information on the efforts we have made over the past year.

This past year, SHA continued the design and construction of several projects to bring our existing facilities into full ADA compliance. Through the use of the eGIS Portal, SHA's asset management database, the Administration tracks the progress on a quarterly basis relevant to ADA compliance. As of December 31, 2013 SHA accomplished the following along our portion of the State roadway system.

- 64.8 % of sidewalks are ADA compliant
- 40.2 % of curb ramps are ADA compliant
- 61.0 % of bus stops are ADA compliant
- 40.1 % of driveway crossings are ADA compliant
- 73.8 % of medians are ADA compliant

Through CY 2013, SHA reconstructed more than 33 miles of sidewalk to meet ADA compliance through the Administration's Fund 33 Program (Sidewalk Reconstruction for Pedestrian Access). Projects were completed in six counties representing four of SHA's districts. Please see the attached report reflecting the projects completed through this program in CY 2013.

My telephone number/toll-free number is <u>410-545-0400 or 1-800-206-0770</u> Moryland Relay Service for Impaired Hearing or Speech 1.800.735.2258 Statewide Toll Free Mr. Gregory Murrill Page Two

SHA is also pleased to advise you of the progress we have made this past year regarding subrecipient compliance. As you know, SHA held a one-day conference in November providing an overview of sub-recipient responsibilities and compliance under the ADA and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, as well as explaining SHA's Policy on Sub-Recipients. In fact, thank you again for your participation both as a speaker and an attendee. The training was aimed at county public works directors and ADA Title II Coordinators, more than 60 of whom attended either in person or via teleconferencing. We are currently working on the development and delivery of training for sub-recipient staff charged with developing self-evaluations and transition plans. We hope to have this completed in several months and are currently working with your staff in this regard. We will keep you informed of our progress. Meanwhile, SHA engineering staff continues to provide technical advice and design review as requested by sub-recipients.

SHA is grateful to FHWA for its support and recognition of SHA's commitment to the ADA. If you have additional questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Lisa B. Choplin, Chief of the Innovative Contracting Division, SHA at 410-545-8824 or via email at lchoplin@sha.state.md.us. You may also contact Ms. Linda I. Singer, Title II ADA Coordinator, SHA at 410-545-0362 or via email at lsinger@sha.state.md.us. They will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely, Service Melinda B. Peters

Administrator

Attachment

cc: Ms. Lisa B. Choplin, Chief, Innovative Contracting Division, SHA Ms. Linda Singer, Title II ADA Coordinator, SHA

Fund 33 Construction – Calendar Year 2013

Anne Arundel County

MD 3 Bus. – Greenbranch Lane to Oak Manor Drive - 7250 LF of sidewalk improvements

MD 255 – Anchors Way to Riverside Drive

- 3380 LF of sidewalk improvements

Baltimore County

MD 7 – King Avenue to Philco Road - 3,770 LF of sidewalk improvements

MD 45 – Padonia Road to Ridgley Road - 19,965 LF of sidewalk improvements

Harford County

MD 763 from Ohio Street to Juniata Street - 2,500 LF of sidewalk improvements

Montgomery County

MD 97 – Emory Lane to Old Baltimore Road - 8,285 LF of sidewalk improvements

MD 97 – Old Baltimore Road to MD 108 - 11,400 LF of sidewalk improvements

MD 97 – MD 28 to MD 185 - 19,085 LF of sidewalk improvements

MD 115 – Avery Park Drive to MD 200 - 2,640 LF of sidewalk improvements

MD 185 – Plyers Mill Road to Knowles Avenue - 1,820 LF of sidewalk improvements

MD 185 – Washington Street to Saul Road - 5560 LF of sidewalk Improvements

Somerset County

MD 675 - South Street to Antioch Avenue - 3,350 LF of sidewalk improvements

Worcester County

MD 374 - From 81st Anne Drive to MD 818 - 4,420 LF of sidewalk improvements

MD 377 - from MD 376 to Walnut Hill Road - 3,030 LF of sidewalk improvements