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January 18, 2017

Tashia Clemons  
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Attn: Scott Carson

Dear Ms. Clemons:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is the lead state for the pooled fund study TPF-5(357) "Connecting the DOTs: Implementing ShakeCast Across Multiple State Departments of Transportation for Rapid Post-Earthquake Response." Caltrans 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.

If you have any questions or concerns, I may be contacted at (916) 654-9970 or by email at [robert.buendia@dot.ca.gov](mailto:robert.buendia@dot.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. E. Buendia".

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