July 10, 2013

Mr. Jerry Halperin MPO Coordinator INDOT, IGC N955 100 N. Senate Avenue Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Mr. Halperin:

Please amend the FY2013-2016 and FY2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the FY2012 – 2015 Indiana Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the following:

LAPORTE DISTRICT

Locally Initiated – Resolution 22-13

A. Marshall County Amendment Exempt Project in Marshall County

Resolution 21-13 Add Project Phase: PE

Des#: 1382094 Location: Countywide Bridge Inspections

Bridge Inspections SFY: 2014

Total: \$190,000 Federal: \$152,000 (ST STP) Local: \$38,000

The Michiana Area Council of Governments, as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the South Bend and Elkhart/Goshen, Indiana Urbanized Areas, is hereby submitting an amendment to the FY2013-2016 and FY2014-2017 TIP and the 2012-2015 STIP for Intergovernmental Review under the provisions of Executive Order 1271. The document has been reviewed and endorsed by the MACOG Policy Board on July 10, 2013.

We are, therefore, offering our assurance that the document has been developed with and reviewed by the appropriate jurisdictions and governmental agencies within the South Bend and Elkhart/Goshen Urbanized Areas. This includes the Indiana Department of Transportation and member jurisdictions and governmental agencies of the MACOG Policy Board.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact this agency if you need further information.

Sincerely,

Sandra M. Seanor Executive Director

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Cc: Justin Sergent, Joyce Newland, Lisa Shrader, Marci Blansett

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RESOLUTION NO. 22-13 A RESOLUTION ENDORSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE SOUTH BEND AND ELKHART/GOSHEN FY2013-2016 AND FY2014-2017 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

- WHEREAS, the "MAP-21", Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act: Designating joint Federal Highway Administration/Federal Transit Administration rules and regulations, under Section 134, Title 23 of the US Code, the act requires the annual preparation of a Transportation Improvement Program by the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization(s) as a part of the transportation planning process in urbanized areas of 50,000 or more population; and
- WHEREAS, the Michiana Area Council of Governments (MACOG) being the duly designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the South Bend and Elkhart/Goshen Urbanized Areas, in cooperation with local governmental units and implementing agencies within the urbanized areas, has prepared a FY2013-2016 and FY2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which consists of improvements recommended in the MACOG Region.
- WHEREAS, the FY2013-2016 and FY2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is consistent with the 2035 Transportation Plan (TP) and its corresponding conformity determination, which uses the MACOG travel demand model, developed with the most recently available socioeconomic and other input data to estimate mobile source emissions for the conformity analyses.
- WHEREAS, the MACOG Policy Board from time to time receives and amends/modifies its Transportation Improvement Programs.
- WHEREAS, the MPO consulted with the Interagency Consultation Group and the agencies did not take exception to the MPO finding that (1) each project in the TIP as amended is consistent with the design concept and scope of the project that was modeled in the most recent conformity demonstration, (2) the open-to-traffic date of each project in the TIP as amended is consistent with the open-to-traffic dates in the most recent conformity demonstration, (3) that the previous emissions analysis meets the requirements of 40 CFR 93.118 & 119 and demonstrates conformity of the TIP as amended.
- WHEREAS, upon review of the amendments below, the Michiana Area Council of Governments herewithin finds that they are consistent with the 2035 Transportation Plan and its corresponding Conformity Analysis.
- BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the South Bend and Elkhart/Goshen FY2013-2016 and FY2014-2017 will be amended to include the following:

Amend the FY2013-2016 and FY2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Plan

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RESOLVED THIS 10th Day of July, 2013

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