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Mr. Tom Church
Cabinet Secretary
New Mexico Department of Transportation
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Dear Secretary Church:

A FHWA/FTA air quality conformity determination is required pursuant to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Transportation Conformity Rule, 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93, and the United States Department of Transportation's Metropolitan Planning Rule, 23 CFR Part 450.

The New Mexico Division of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA-NM) and Region VI of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in coordination with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region VI have reviewed the:

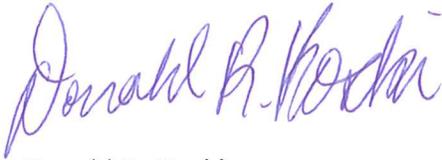
- Futures 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan approved by the Metropolitan Transportation Board on April 17, 2015, by resolution R-15-04;
- The 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program approved by the Metropolitan Transportation Board on April 17, 2015, by resolution R-15-05;
- Correspondence from the Albuquerque – Bernalillo County Air Quality Control Board dated March 30, 2015, and;
- Summary of the Amendment to the FY 2014-2019 Transportation Improvement Program approved by the Metropolitan Transportation Board on April 17, 2015, by resolution R-15-06.

Based on the review, the FHWA-NM and FTA Region VI find that Metropolitan Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program conform to the applicable State Implementation Plan in accordance with the provision of 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93. In accordance with the September 1, 2004, Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Federal Highway Administration, NM Division and the Federal Transit Administration, Region VI, the FTA has concurred with this conformity determination. The documentation provided by the Mid-Region MPO meets conformity determination requirements such as:

- Use of the latest planning assumptions;
- Use of the latest emissions model;
- Use of appropriate consultation procedures;
- Public Involvement;
- Fiscal Constraint;

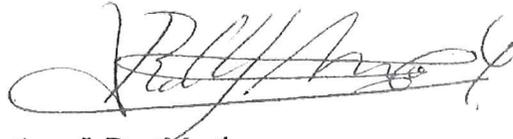
- Consistency with the mobile source emission budgets in the State Implementation Plan (SIP); and
- Provisions for timely implementation of transportation control measures in the SIP.

Therefore, the FHWA-NM and the FTA Region VI approve the Conformity Determination for the Futures 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and TIP. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call Rodolfo Monge-Oviedo at 505-820-2037 or Tony Ogboli at 817- 978-0566.



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Sincerely yours,



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