December 27, 2011

Mr. Vincent Mammano  
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Dear Mr. Mammano:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) is requesting a letter to confirm substantial conformance of the revised California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD) 2012 edition (2009 National MUTCD, as amended for use in California) from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). This letter is required per title 23, Code of Federal Regulations (23 CFR 655.603(b)(1)). The revised California MUTCD includes FHWA’s 2009 MUTCD. The revision also includes all policies on traffic control devices issued by the Department since January 21, 2010, and other corrections and format changes that were necessary to update the previous documents. The revised document is available on the Internet at:

www.dot.ca.gov/camutcd

A draft version of the revised CA MUTCD was made available to the Department’s district staff, local agencies and the general public for review and comment during the open public comment period, which began on August 9, 2010 and closed on October 10, 2011. The Department held five workshops with staff representing local agencies from April 14, 2010 to July 22, 2011 to discuss the revision and changes being incorporated. The California Traffic Control Devices Committee (CTCDC) also reviewed the revised CA MUTCD at their October 20, 2011 meeting in Rancho Cordova and made a recommendation to the Department to adopt the new manual.

We would like to acknowledge the efforts of Steve Pyburn of your office for working closely with Johnny Bhullar of the Department’s Division of Traffic Operations in reviewing the draft revision of the CA MUTCD. This review process was completed to ensure the changes made would be in conformance with the FHWA’s 2009 MUTCD.
If you have any questions, please contact Johnny Bhullar at (916) 654-7312 or by email at <Johnny.bhuylar@dot.ca.gov>

Sincerely,

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c:
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