February 11, 2010

Mr. John E. Fisher
Chairman
California Traffic Control Devices Committee
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Dear Mr. Fisher:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) has adopted the revised California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) for uniform standards and specifications for all official traffic control devices in California. This action was taken pursuant to the provisions of California Vehicle Code Section 21400 and the recommendation of the California Traffic Control Devices Committee (CTCDC). This document is available on the Internet at www.dot.ca.gov/camutcd.

The revised California MUTCD includes the Federal Highway Administration’s (FHWA) 2003 MUTCD with revision one dated November 20, 2004, and revision two dated December 21, 2007. This document also includes all policies on traffic control devices issued by the Department since September 26, 2006, and other corrections and format changes that were necessary to update the previous documents.

Even though the FHWA recently released the MUTCD 2009 edition, it does not go into effect in California until the Department and CTCDC review and adopt it through formal efforts. California has until January 15, 2012, to adopt the MUTCD 2009 although it is anticipated that the adoption will occur sooner.

The Division of Traffic Operations is grateful to the CTCDC members and acknowledges their staff for providing guidance and direction in the development of this document. If you have any questions, please contact Johnny Bhullar at (916) 654-7312 or by e-mail at johnny_bhullar@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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