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Dear Dr. Tischer: (email: Mary.Tischer@VDOT.Virginia.gov)

The Census Bureau has reviewed the recent proposal for Census Transportation Planning Products (CTPP) custom tabulations from the 3-year American Community Survey that you submitted on April 1, 2009 on behalf of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

I am pleased to inform you that the Census Bureau Disclosure Review Board has approved your request with minor changes. Those changes have already been discussed by Melissa Chiu, CTPP Coordinator at the Census Bureau, with Penelope Weinberger, CTPP and Transportation Data Program Manager of the AASHTO and Elaine Murakami and Ed Christopher of the FHWA. Those changes involve not providing data at the Place of Work Public Use Microdata Area (POWPUMA) as a residence geography and at the Public Use Microdata Area (PUMA) area as a workplace geography. The Disclosure Review Board has also approved your additional request for tabulations of residence-to-workplace flows in 18 categories for the means of transportation univariate table.

Attached is a copy of the Disclosure Review Board letter of approval as well as the revised specifications after the above changes have been made.

You also requested a cost estimate for this custom tabulation. My staff is working on the estimate and we will forward it to you as soon as possible.

Sincerely, Luxun Scheehle

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