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Dear Mr. Taylor:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Alaska Division Office (Division Office) has reviewed the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities Long Range Transportation Plan Freight element and the Freight Element Implementation guidance (Plan) dated December 2017 and received by the Division Office on November 20, 2017.

The Division Office finds that the Plan contains all elements required by 49 U.S.C. § 70202. The State has, therefore, met the prerequisite in 23 U.S.C. § 167(i)(4) that it develop a State Freight Plan in accordance with 49 U.S.C. § 70202 before it may obligate funds apportioned to the State under 23 U.S.C. § 104(b)(5). The State may now obligate such funds for projects that meet all National Highway Freight Program (“NHFP”) eligibility requirements described in 23 U.S.C. § 167, and all other applicable Federal requirements.

Please be advised that the Division Office’s finding that the Plan satisfies the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 70202 and 23 U.S.C. § 167(i)(4) is not a determination that the projects listed in the freight investment plan component of the Plan required by 49 U.S.C. § 70202(b) meet all other NHFP eligibility requirements set forth in 23 U.S.C. § 167, or any other applicable Federal requirement. Any additional feedback from US DOT regarding the multi-modal components of this Plan will be provided at a later date.

If you have any questions regarding NHFP eligibility requirements, please contact John Lohrey at 586-7428.

Sincerely,

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