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The Honorable Jean Monestime Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization Chair 111 NW 1st Street, Ste. 920 Stephen P. Clark Center Miami, FL 33128

Subject: Federal Certification of the Miami Urbanized Area Transportation Management Area – Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization Planning Process

Dear Commissioner Monestime:

Federal law requires the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to review and certify the planning processes for large Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) every four years. The previous FHWA/FTA Certification action on the Miami Urbanized Area Transportation Management Area was completed in August 2011.

Over the past few months, FHWA and FTA staff has worked with the Miami-Dade MPO staff to compile and review current documents and recent planning processes of the MPO. A site visit was conducted on April 22-23, 2015 to review and discuss this information. This review determined that the Miami-Dade MPO continues to satisfy the provisions for metropolitan transportation planning substantially meeting the requirements of 23 CFR Part 450 subject to satisfying any corrective actions that may be identified. This Certification will remain in effect until August 2019.

The Federal review team will prepare and issue a report within the next two months that will include detailed findings, recommendations and any corrective conditions that may apply. If you have any questions regarding the certification review process, please contact either Stacie Blizzard, FHWA at (850) 553-2223 or by email at Stacie.Blizzard@dot.gov or Keith Melton, FTA at (404) 865-5614 or by email at Keith.Melton@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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