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FY 2019 Pre-Award
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Mr. Shawn D. Wilson, Secretary
Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development
1201 Capitol Access Road
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Dear Mr. Wilson:

We are in receipt of the Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development’s (LADOTD) Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) Title VI Program Compliance Plan. We have reviewed your FMCSA Title VI Program Compliance Plan and find that the Plan contains all elements stipulated in the FMCSA Title VI Program Compliance Plan Checklist. Therefore, FMCSA approves the LADOTD’s Title VI Program Compliance Plan for Federal Fiscal Year (FY) 2019. We do request that the LADOTD notify FMCSA’s Office of Civil Rights should it be the object of a Title VI Program compliance review conducted by another Federal agency. In this eventuality, we will coordinate with the LADOTD to ensure that the Title VI Program Compliance Plan is updated with the additional information.

On an annual basis, FMCSA’s Office of Civil Rights will conduct compliance reviews of a representative sampling of FMCSA Grant Recipients. FMCSA has approximately 125 Recipients annually. If and/or when the LADOTD is chosen as one of the FMCSA Grant Recipients’ Title VI Program that will be reviewed in a given year, the Office of Civil Rights will use the approved Title VI Program Compliance Plan as the basis for conducting the desk audit and will request additional documentation as deemed appropriate during the review.

In addition, a small number of Recipients who are selected for a Title VI Program compliance review will also be selected for an on-site visit which will include personnel interviews. We appreciate your future assistance in the event the LADOTD is chosen for a compliance review in a given year.
If at any time your Agency has Title VI Program-related questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Lester Finkle, National Title VI Program Manager at (202) 366-4474 or lester.finkle@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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Director
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