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July 31, 2018

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Dear Mr. Mammano:

Enclosed is the California Department of Transportation's (Caltrans) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Overall Annual Goal and Methodology for Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2019-2021.

Caltrans requests your approval, pursuant to 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 26, section 26.45, to continue with the established DBE program and submitted goal and methodology for its federally-assisted highway projects. Caltrans commissioned a Disparity Study (Study) to determine whether discrimination continues to exist in the conduct of the State transportation program. Caltrans accepted the Study and its findings in August 2017.

Caltrans established an annual overall DBE goal of 17.6 percent for FFYs 2019-2021. The overall goal is to be achieved, in split proportions, through 4.2 percent race-neutral measures and 13.4 percent race-conscious measures.

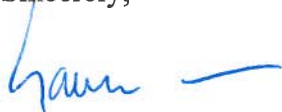
Pursuant to 49 CFR 26.45(g)(1), Caltrans provided for "consultation and publication" of its proposed 2019-2021 overall DBE goal by posting information on its public web site for 30 days, as well as hosting 12 public comment meetings throughout the state. Caltrans' summary of comments received during this period is enclosed as part of its proposed 2019-2021 DBE goal and methodology submittal.

Additionally, as required by 49 CFR section 26.15 for FFYs 2019-2021, Caltrans will be requesting a waiver to implement a race-conscious goal of limited application to five identified groups: African American, Asian Pacific American, Women, Hispanic American, and Native American businesses. The waiver request will be submitted separately and implementation of the waiver will begin upon FHWA approval.

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If you have any concerns, please contact me at (916) 654-6130 or contact Janice Salais, Assistant Director, Office of Business and Economic Opportunity at (916) 324-0990 or via e-mail at janice.salais@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



LAURIE BERMAN
Director

Enclosure