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**SUBJECT:** Conformity Re-Determination for SCAG's 2012-2035 RTP/SCS & 2013 FTIP for the 2008 8-hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS)

Dear Mr. Ikhata:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our review of the conformity determination for the Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG's) 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)/Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) and the 2013 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) for the 2008 8-hour Ozone NAAQS. A FHWA/FTA air quality conformity determination is required pursuant to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) *Transportation Conformity Rule*, 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93, and the United States Department of Transportation's *Metropolitan Planning Rule*, 23 CFR Part 450.

On April 4, 2013, SCAG adopted the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS, the 2013 FTIP, and corresponding conformity determination for the 2008 8-hour Ozone NAAQS. The conformity analysis submitted by SCAG indicates that all air quality conformity requirements have been met. Based on our review, we find that the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and 2013 FTIP conform to the applicable state implementation plan in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93. In accordance with the July 15, 2004, *Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX*, the FTA has concurred with this conformity determination. Additionally, this conformity determination was made after consultation with the EPA Region 9 office.

If you have questions or need additional information concerning this conformity determination, please contact Mr. Stew Sonnenberg of the FHWA California Division office at (916) 498-5889 or by email at [Stew.Sonnenberg@dot.gov](mailto:Stew.Sonnenberg@dot.gov).

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Sincerely,

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