



U.S. Department  
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Administration

# Memorandum

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Subject: **INFORMATION:** Pooled Fund Solicitation  
#1342 "Mid-America Freight Coalition-II"

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This is in response to the February 8 e-mail from Joe Balice of your staff, requesting the waiver of the non-Federal funding match for State Planning and Research (SP&R) funds for pooled fund solicitation 1342 "Mid-America Freight Coalition-II." We understand that the Wisconsin State Department of Transportation will be the lead agency for this project.

The proposed study meets the criteria for use of SP&R funds used for Research and Development studies without non-Federal matching funds. The approval status will be reflected on the Transportation Pooled Fund website: [www.pooledfund.org](http://www.pooledfund.org), which serves as the primary mechanism for communication regarding pooled fund studies.

It is important to remember that the lead agency contact is required to report on the status of the pooled fund study on a timely basis. The contact should indicate when a contract is signed, and electronic copies of the quarterly and final reports and other relevant study documents should be posted on the website. By doing so, the lead agency will be fulfilling its obligation to provide information to its partners on the status of the project.

Ed Strocko, Office of Freight Management and Operations, Freight Analysis & Research Team Leader, will be the Federal Highway Administration Technical Liaison for this study. Mr. Strocko can be reached via phone at 202-366-2997 or e-mail: [Ed.Strocko@dot.gov](mailto:Ed.Strocko@dot.gov). We hope that Mr. Strocko will have the opportunity to participate in the study activities as a technical resource to the project.

You may contact Debra Rinderknecht at (202)-493-3166 or Jack Jernigan at (202) 493-3363 in the Office of Corporate Research, Technology, and Innovation Management if you have any questions or need further assistance.