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Mr. John Haynes Research and Innovation Program Manager Federal Highway Administration – Utah Division 2520 West 4700 South, Suite 9A Salt Lake City, UT 84129

Re: Acceptance of Lead-State Role for Study No. TPF-5(296) "Simplified SPT Performance-Based Assessment of Liquefaction and Effects"

Dear Mr. Haynes:

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) is the lead state for the pooled fund study TPF-5(296) "Simplified SPT Performance-Based Assessment of Liquefaction and Effects." UDOT accepts the role of lead agency and agrees to receive, obligate, expend and manage contributions from participating agencies.

The participating agencies are requested to submit a copy of this letter with their funding transfer request form for this project to their respective FHWA Division Office for concurrence.

Please contact David Stevens with the UDOT Research Division, P.O. Box 148410, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-8410, ph. 801-589-8340, or email <u>davidstevens@utah.gov</u>, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Cameron Kergaye Research Director

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