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<u>VIA FAX</u> 202-962-3202

Mr. Ron Kirby
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Re: Model 2.1D # 50

Dear Mr. Kirby:

We are writing on behalf of our clients, the Audubon Naturalist Society and the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, with regard to the updated COG/TPB Forecasting Model Version 2.1D #50. On September 28, 2004 we requested that a copy of Model 2.1D #50 be sent to our clients' consultant, SmartMobility Inc., along with a "full set of any other models used to calculate emissions for the air quality conformity findings to be released on October 1, 2004, including post-processor and Mobile 6 inputs." However, the model information you sent, on September 29, 2004 and October 1, 2004, respectively, does not include any Inter County Connector transportation network data. The model information appears to include only the adopted 2030 Constrained Long Range Plan network or something other than the proposed 2030 Constrained Long Range Plan network or something other than the proposed 2030 Constrained Long Range Plan network, on which the air quality conformity analysis has been conducted. Without the ICC data sets it is impossible for us or other members of the public to accurately evaluate the modeling of the transportation network and its related air quality impacts.

Please provide the requested information regarding the ICC if possible—to facilitate their most rapid transmission—via posting on an ftp website, and by CD ROM if necessary, any other data sets related to the proposed CLRP along with supporting documentation, to our clients' consultant via the fastest possible Federal Express delivery, to the name, address and account number listed below.

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> Brian Grady Smart Mobility, Inc. Aldrich House #3 16 Beaver Meadow Road Norwich, VT 05055 Phone: 802.649.5422

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Receipt of this information by Wednesday, October 27, 2004 is crucial to our ability to meaningfully participate in the public comment period on the 2004 CLRP, which is scheduled to end on Sunday, October 31, 2004. The delay in transmitting these timely requested critical inputs to the travel model seriously precludes our ability to independently analyze the assumptions used in the development of the transportation plan and program and the related conformity analysis. In light of this delay, we request that you extend the comment period for the conformity analysis of the TIP and CLRP until 30 days from our receipt of this critically central information on which the analysis is based.

If you have any questions about these requests, we encourage you to call us so that your response to these requests can be prepared as soon as possible.

Thank you for your prompt response to this request.

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cc: Brian Grady