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Dear Ms. Carter:

In accordance with the provisions of 49 CFR Section 26.45, we have reviewed the overall goal submitted by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) in connection with your Federal Fiscal Year 2015, 2016, and 2017 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (D.B.E.) program. For the federal-aid highway program in these three fiscal years WisDOT submitted an overall goal of 14.13 (4.47% of which it projects to meet through race neutral means and 9.66% through race conscious means). Our review considered the overall goal as well as the description of the data and methodology used in arriving at your overall goal, including the base figure calculation and evidence supporting the calculation; adjustments, if any, made to the base figure and the evidence supporting these adjustments; a summary of the relevant evidence in your jurisdiction; the projection of the portion of your overall goal that you will meet through race neutral as opposed to race conscious means and the basis for your projections; and the evidence of public participation in establishing your overall goal.

After reviewing this information, we have determined that the goal setting methodology you have employed is consistent with the requirements of 49 CFR Section 26.45 and that you have followed the requirements for public participation in establishing your overall goal as set forth in 49 CFR Section 26.45(g). Further, we have also approved your projection of the portions of your overall goal that you expect to meet through race neutral and race conscious means. That projection is subject to modification during each fiscal year in accordance with 49 CFR Section 26.51. The basis for our conclusions is set forth more fully in the attached document.

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As you are aware the State is required to and did submit a separate overall three year D.B.E. goal for programs funded by the Federal Transit Administration and the Federal Aviation Administration, based upon the goal setting approach outlined in the State's D.B.E. program. If needed the State should contact its regional FTA and FAA offices for further guidance and assistance on these matters.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for your diligence and efforts in getting this annual goal submission to the approval stage.

Sincerely,

William T. Stark
Transportation Specialist
FHWA Wisconsin Division Office

Enclosure