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RE: FY2008 - FY2001 Indiana State Transportation Improvement Program (INSTIP) Transit Amendment #29

Dear Administrators;

Please find attached Metropolitan Planning Organization TIP amendments which need to be approved and included into the FY 2008 Indiana Transportation Improvement Program. We will reflect by reference the 2009–2013 federal aid projects covered by this approval in our 2008–2011 INSTIP. The amendment resolution number is listed below:

- Columbus Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (Resolution No. 2009 – 1)

We have determined that the proposed amendments are: 1) consistent with the transportation plan; 2) the TIP remains fiscally constrained in that federal funding resources are sufficient to support the new or modified projects and 3) conform to state and national air quality standards as required by the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.

We request your review and approval of the subject amendment. Please contact me at (317) 232-5292 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Manager
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RESOLUTION 2009 – 1

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE INVESTMENT
OF AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 FUNDS
PROVIDED VIA FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION
5307 FORMULA FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Columbus Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the City of Columbus, Bartholomew County, Blue River Township of Johnson County and Jackson Township of Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, the sub-allocation of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5307 Funds that ColumBUS Transit is receiving under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) is \$888,815; and

WHEREAS, all federal transportation funds spent in the Planning Area of CAMPO must be listed in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

WHEREAS, projects programmed in the TIP must stem from the Title 23 transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the long range transportation plan of the MPO is a product of the Title 23 transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the need for a permanent location for the downtown transit transfer point of ColumBUS Transit has been identified in the Transportation Plan of the MPO since the adoption of the first long range transportation plan of the MPO; and

WHEREAS, previous analysis by ColumBUS Transit and the MPO identified the collocation of the Downtown ColumBUS Transit Transfer Point with the planned Mill Race Center as the preferred alternative; and

WHEREAS, the parcel that will be home to the Mill Race Center belongs to the City of Columbus thus avoiding the right-of-way acquisition process; and

WHEREAS, National Environmental Protection Act work done for the Mill Race Center to meet US Department of Housing and Urban Development requirements provides ColumBUS Transit a strong basis for their NEPA work; and


WHEREAS, a collocation with Mill Race Center creates large financial synergies; and

WHEREAS, the Congressional intent of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 is to rapidly invest the funds provided so as to provide jobs; and

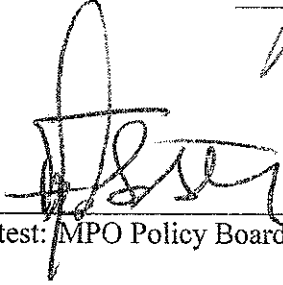
WHEREAS, the investment of ARRA funds in the Transit Transfer Point at Mill Race Center is in keeping with Congressional intent;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the CAMPO Policy Board that the funds provided under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 via the Federal Transportation Administration to ColumBUS Transit be designated for use in construction of a Downtown Transit Transfer Point to be collocated on the parcel of the Mill Race Center.

Adopted this 22nd day of April 2009



MPO Policy Board President



Attest: MPO Policy Board Secretary