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May 26, 2017

Mr. Abdollah Ansari  
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Dear Mr. Ansari:

This letter is in reference to your request to expedite the close out of the Interstate 5 / State Route 14 High Occupancy Vehicles (HOV) Connector Project and our letter dated April 4, 2017 regarding a budget reserve to cover the cost of the Southern California Edison's (SCE) project related powerlines relocation activities.

Caltrans has been in communication with SCE to expedite the relocation redesign effort and provide a detailed estimate for its work for accurate budgeting purposes as you have requested.

SCE however, advised of the need for the final relocation design to be completed before any detailed estimate could be provided and indicated that August of 2017 would be the earliest date for such estimate.

As we recognize the urgent need to close this project, please set aside a \$5 million budget to cover all costs associated with the relocation of the SCE powerlines.

Such budget should be added to the project's right of way capital budget via amendment No. 4 of the funding agreement (FA) No. 4764.

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Please contact Osama Megalla, Alternative Delivery Projects Manager at 213-897-0520 if you have any question(s) or need additional information regarding this request

Sincerely,



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