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Mr. Donald P. Kopec
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Dear Mr. Kopec:

Thank you for the letter of February 25, 2014, responding to Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT's) questions regarding the forecasting differences between the original GO TO 2040 financial plan and the GO TO 2040 financial plan update.

As a partner in the development and implementation of GO TO 2040, IDOT welcomes the opportunity to continue to work with the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) by providing feedback on the long-range financial forecasting necessary to complete the update of the plan. Furthermore, we appreciate being able to provide input pertaining to the major capital projects and fiscal constraint.

IDOT would appreciate the opportunity to sit down with your staff to discuss the detailed information for the IDOT implemented major capital projects as well as the differences between CMAP's financial forecasting method vs. IDOT's. It is imperative that we come to an agreement on the tools to use to complete the update, and what we will do if agreement becomes impossible. IDOT staff will be available at your convenience.

Thank you again for your letter and, as always, this agency looks forward to continuing to work cooperatively with CMAP in this endeavor. To schedule a meeting, please contact Charles Ingersoll, Director, IDOT's Office of Planning and Programming, located at 2300 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, Illinois 62764, by telephone at (217) 782-6289.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ann L. Schneider".

Ann L. Schneider
Secretary