

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

February 24, 2014

Mr. John Powell, Jr. Administrator Howard County Office of Transportation 3430 Courthouse Drive Ellicott City, Maryland 21043

Dear John,

cc:

I am responding to your letter dated January 6, 2014 and subsequent letter to Victor Weissberg at the Department of Public Works and Transportation transmitted on February 12, 2014. This is to inform you that Prince George's County (the County) has an interest in becoming a part of a newly created RTA. To do so we will need to ensure that the approach works for meeting the needs of our citizens. As we only received the current MOU a week ago, Prince George's County is obligated to conduct the necessary review, which includes and internal staff review. That should conclude quickly, at which point we must garner the approval of the Prince George's Office of Law as well as the Administrative Review Committee. I would also like to apologize for not being able to send this notice sooner, however, the County needed to perform due diligence with the appropriate elected officials and partners. In summary, while Prince George's County has interest in joining the RTA, we will reserve final decision regarding participation pending completion and positive review of the final draft of the MOU. We look forward to working with you to accomplish this.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Aubrey D. Thagard

Interim Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Economic Development and Public Infrastructure

Darrell Mobley, Acting Director, Department of Public Works and Transportation Victor Weissberg, Special Assistant, Department of Public Works and Transportation