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Shelby County Engineering Division
Attn: Mr. Michael Oakes, P.E., County Engineer
160 North Main Street, Ste. 350
Memphis, TN 38103

RE: Congestion Management Program (CMP) Bid Set No. 4
Germantown Road/West Farmington Blvd. Intersection Improvements

Dear Mr. Oakes:

On behalf of the City of Germantown, we appreciate Shelby County's efforts in managing the numerous Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) projects throughout the Memphis MPO area. These are worthy projects that benefit the entire region by reducing traffic delays which translates into cleaner air.

Of particular interest to the City of Germantown is CMP Bid Set No. 4, Germantown Road/West Farmington Blvd. Intersection Improvements. This intersection is in the center of Germantown and serves a tremendous amount of daily traffic. Currently, eastbound West Farmington traffic routinely backs up almost to Poplar Ave. When completed, this project will add an additional left-turn lane for eastbound West Farmington onto northbound Germantown Road, greatly improving traffic flow and efficiency.

We were excited to learn that the construction contract is going to the County Commission in August for consideration. As you know, the City requested that decorative mast arms be used in lieu of the standard stainless steel strain poles. We understand that the City is responsible for the cost difference and has allocated sufficient funds in its FY10 CIP for this cost, $12,153.00. This is a very important project to the City and region as a whole and we anxiously await construction and completion.

Again, we greatly appreciate your efforts and please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Tim Gwaltney

Tim Gwaltney, P.E.
City Engineer

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