Memorandum

U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Highway Administration

Subject: ACTION: Job Order Contracting (JOC) for Traffic Signal Installations under Special Experimental Project No. 14 (SEP-14)  Date: January 8, 2016

From: /s/ Thomas D. Everett  Reply to
   Director, Office of Program Administration  Attn. of: HIPA-30

To: Russell L. Jorgenson  
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This is in reference to Jeff Forster’s December 23, 2015 email that transmitted the Michigan Department of Transportation’s (MDOT) revised SEP-14 workplan for the use of the JOC delivery method for the installation of traffic signal devices at various locations on the state highway system in the University Region (Clinton, Shiawassee, Eaton, Ingham, Livingston, Jackson, Washtenaw, Hillsdale, Lenawee, and Monroe Counties).

Specific project locations and designs will not be identified in the bid proposal documents but will be determined during project development. The bid documents will contain a master set of specifications, construction methods, detail drawings, traffic control requirements, measurement and payment items, and terms and conditions. The measurement and payment section will contain a list of fixed pre-priced construction items. Contractors will bid an adjustment factor for all pre-priced items. The contract will be awarded to the responsive bidder with the lowest bid adjustment factor.

The MDOT’s proposal to perform a single initial/final evaluation is satisfactory. The evaluation should address industry reactions to the use of this concept as well as the effectiveness of this contracting technique in meeting the projects goals. You may consider this project approved for evaluation under SEP-14. Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on this SEP-14 request. Should you have any questions, please contact Gerald Yakowenko at (202) 366-1562.