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Nicole R. Nason, Administrator Federal Highway Administration U.S. Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, D.C. 20590

Subject: FHWA Docket No. FHWA-2020-0001

National Standards for Traffic Control Devices

The City of Federal Way (City) requests an extension of the docket period from 90 days to 180 days for the Notice of Proposed Amendments (NPA) that will result in the 11th edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

The City is working to develop comments and recommendations to the Federal Highway Administration (FWHA) through the federal docket. While the City wants a new MUTCD published as soon as practicable, our review process takes time.

The docket period gives the City only 90 days to review and comment on 647 numbered items and 784 pages of proposed changes – half the time that FHWA afforded in the NPA that lead to the 2009 MUTCD that had 513 numbered items. In addition, the NPA was published 11 days before Christmas with one working day of warning. This means the effective time for the City to provide FHWA with meaningful comments is shorter than would be the case outside the holiday season.

For these reasons, the City of Federal Way respectfully requests the docket period be extended from 90 days to 180 days for the subject NPA. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

City Traffic Engineer