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**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCIES**

Dear Executive Directors:

This letter is intended for Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs) that receive Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program funds. The purpose of this letter is to remind you that the provisions regarding CMAQ funding in the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007, Public Law 110-140, are only applicable to funds obligated during federal fiscal years (FFY) 2008 and 2009. This Act permitted the increase of the federal share of CMAQ funds on projects up to 100%. FFY 2009 ended on September 30, 2009, and therefore, all CMAQ funded projects, except those that qualify for 100% federal reimbursement under 23 USC 120(c), shall have a non-federal match of not less than 11.47%.

Please review your Federal Transportation Improvement Programs (FTIPs) to ensure that CMAQ funded projects are programmed with the required match. The Caltrans Division of Local Assistance will not process the authorization of federal aid projects that do not include the required minimum non-federal match.

If you have any questions, please call me at (916) 654-2983.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Muhaned Aljabiry". The signature is stylized and includes a large loop at the end.

MUHANED ALJABIRY, Chief
Office of Federal Transportation Management Program