



THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

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Mr. George Schoener
Executive Director
I-95 Corridor Coalition
3206 Tower Oaks Boulevard
Rockville, MD 20852

Dear Mr. Schoener:

I want to take this opportunity to congratulate the I-95 Corridor Coalition for their work in developing and implementing the Quick Clearance/Move It Initiative. The Quick Clearance effort clearly supports the U.S Department of Transportation (DOT) goals of saving lives on our highways and reducing congestion that erodes our productivity and quality of life. The DOT is proud to be a partner with you in helping implement this important initiative.

The Corridor Coalition's Quick Clearance Program directly supports the National Incident Management Coalition's (NTIMC) joint policy statement entitled "National Unified Goal for Traffic Incident Management (NUG)." The Federal Highway Administration has worked closely with NTIMC to increase the national awareness of the impact that traffic incidents have on congestion and on the safety of both the traveling public and incident-scene first responders. We are pleased with the I-95 Corridor Coalition's efforts to take this message to State, regional and local safety and transportation professionals.

The I-95 Corridor Coalition's Quick Clearance Program and Toolkit is an important educational element for improved responder safety and system performance. The I-95 Corridor Coalition's leadership in advancing traffic incident management and highway safety is a national model, and its success continues to provide an excellent example to other regions of the country. We encourage advancement of NUG in the I-95 corridor and believe the I-95 Corridor Coalition's Quick Clearance Program and Toolkit can provide a valuable resource for doing so.

We look forward to hearing more about your implementation of these initiatives and your success in improving safety and reducing congestion on our Nation's highways.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary E. Peters".

Mary E. Peters