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July 9, 2019

Gregory Stuart, Executive Director Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization Trade Center South 100 West Cypress Creek Road, Suite 850 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

RE: Local Match for Broward County's Port Everglades Department "Intermodal Freight Connector Project" BUILD 2019 Grant

Dear Mr. Stuart:

Broward County's Port Everglades Department is a deep-water cargo, petroleum, and cruise port, and Florida's leader for containerized cargo volumes. The Port currently is berth constrained. The Intermodal Freight Connector Project calls for the extension of an existing turning notch to add up to five additional berths at the Port, renovation of dock infrastructure including a switchgear building and state-of-the-art environmentally friendly bulkheads.

These activities will complement the recent Florida East Coast Railway's investment in an on-port Intermodal Container Transfer Facility, the award winning Florida DOT's Eller Drive Grade Separation Project, which separates truck and rail traffic serving Port Everglades' Southport container complex, and the Port Everglades Navigation Improvements Project to deepen and widen the Port's channels to accommodate fully laden Super Post-Panamax cargo vessels. These improvements are critically needed to transfer cargo intermodally from ship to shore for distribution throughout the United States by truck and rail.

I certify that the local matching funds to support 86.4 percent or more of the estimated eligible future costs to complete the Intermodal Freight Connector Project have been identified and committed by Broward County's Port Everglades. Currently, the County's local match is \$203,066,662 (port funds/TIFIA loan/bond financing) which combined with state funds provided by the Florida Department of Transportation (3.0 percent) and the requested BUILD 2019 grant (10.6 percent), represents 100 percent of the estimated costs.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Dr. Natacha Yacinthe, Ph.D., PPM, Seaport Planning Manager of Port Everglades, at 954-468-0213 or email nyacinthe@broward.org.

Sincerely.

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Broward County Administrator



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July 1, 2019

Ms. Bertha Henry County Administrator, Broward County 115 S. Andrews Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

RE: Planned BUILD Grant Administration Services Associated with Port Everglades' "Intermodal Freight Connector Project"

Dear Ms. Henry:

The Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is pleased to submit the BUILD Grant Application for Port Everglades' **Intermodal Freight Connector Project**. We understand this is a priority project critical to the port's future success and the economic prosperity of Southeast Florida.

The MPO will serve as the **primary grant applicant** calling out Port Everglades as a **co-applicant** and **project sponsor**. If a grant is awarded, the MPO, as the primary applicant will receive the funds from US DOT as outlined in the Notice of Funding Opportunity. These funds will be used to reimburse Port Everglades for eligible expenditures relating to the Intermodal Freight Connector Project as outlined in the grant application and associated appendices.

In addition to managing the receipt and disbursement of funds, the MPO will be required to monitor and report on the grant activity consistent with the *Uniform Administrative Requirements*, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.

The MPO anticipates that it will incur costs associated with the monitoring and reporting activities (e.g., execute JPA, monitor grant related activities, track costs, review invoices, process payments, prepare and submit progress reports) and estimates that those costs will be approximately \$45,400 per year. These estimated costs however may be higher or lower based on requirements specific to this grant.

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If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Paul Flavien at 954-876-0045 or myself at 954-876-0035.

Sincerely,

Gregory Stuart, AICP **Executive Director**

Please sign below to indicate mutual acceptance of the above estimated costs for monitoring and reporting activities to be led by the MPO.

Broward County

Bertha W. Henry

(Name)

County Administrator

(Title)

(Signature)

Broward MPO

Gregory Stuart

(Name)

Executive Director

(Signature)

July 1, 2019

(Date)