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John Bel Edwards, Governor

Ms. Michelle Impastato Council Secretary St. Charles Parish PO Box 302 Hahnville, LA 70057

RE: Traffic Studies for Right Turn Acceleration Lanes for Airline Highway (US 61) at CC Road (LA 628) and Airline Highway (US 61) at Evangeline Road intersections, Montz, LA.

Dear Ms. Impastato:

Thank you for informing me of the recent resolutions adopted by St. Charles Parish requesting the Department perform a traffic study at these two intersections.

The DOTD District office reviewed the Airline Highway at CC Road (LA 628) intersection in 2018 based on a recommendation from the traffic impact study for Entergy's St. Charles Power Station in Montz, St. Charles Parish. The result of the study indicated that a right turn lane was not warranted at that time. However, since it has been over three years when this evaluation was made, the District has committed to restudying this intersection based on the recent request.

Regarding the Airline Highway at Evangeline Road intersection, the DOTD District office received a request to install a signal at this location in 2019. They began initial data collection for this study. however, were unable to complete the collection of all required information to proceed with the study, as COVID 19 restrictions placed a temporary suspension on all traffic studies.

We plan to resume the Evangeline Road intersection study and restudy the CC Road (LA 628) intersection beginning in September, 2021, after schools are back in session at full capacity. The District plans to complete the study and share the outcome with St. Charles Parish this fall.

I appreciate your concern and interest, and more importantly, your action to reach out to DOTD.

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