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March 4, 2011

District File # 1022

SUBJECT: CONSTRUCTION - New Bedford: Rdwy Reconst. Route 18 (Acushnet Ave.)
Contract #54209 - F.A. #STP-001S(663)X
RE: Traffic Signal Timing

City of New Bedford
Office of the City Council
1105 Shawmut Ave.
New Bedford, MA 02748
Attn: Denis Lawrence Jr.,
Councilor at large

Dear Sir:

This letter is in response to your correspondence dated February 18, 2011 in which you express concern with the traffic signal timing at Acushnet Avenue and Rte. 140 in the City of New Bedford. On Wednesday, March 2, 2011, representatives from MassDOT, Bell Traffic Systems, and CDM, Inc. met on site to monitor the traffic signal performance. After viewing multiple cycles and sufficient traffic volumes, it was determined that the signals are operating effectively and as designed. No extensive traffic back-ups were witnessed, and there appeared to be no evidence of motorists driving over the island. It should be noted that this project was designed by the City of New Bedford and their Consultant, CDM, Inc. Any requested changes or alteration would have to be recommended by CDM and approved by the MassDOT District Traffic Engineer.

If you require any additional information on this matter, please contact the District 5 Construction Office.

Sincerely,

Bernard McCourt
District Highway Director

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cc: DHD
Feeney, E.
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