June 8, 2009

Mr. Mohammed Alghurabi, Project Manager MDOT, Design Division 425 West Ottawa Lansing, MI 48933

RE: DRIC EPE/EIS Project; Job No. 802330

TCG Project No. 3600 - Invoice No. 53 Progress Report

Dear Mohammed:

Enclosed is the narrative progress report for the DRIC EPE/EIS Project. It supports Invoice No. 53 for May 2009. The invoice will be submitted under separate cover to Portia VanPelt.

Please call if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely yours,

toe C/Corradino, PE Project Manager

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PROGRESS REPORT THE CORRADINO GROUP DRIC EPE/EIS PHASE MAY 1 THROUGH MAY 31, 2009

The following details the work progress for the project by task (Sections A, B, & C). At the end of the task progress discussion are sections that address updates of the schedule, items needed from MDOT, and a listing of substantive verbal contacts with MDOT. Schedule adjustments and verbal contacts are listed on attachments G and H, respectively.

A, B, AND C – PROGRESS BY TASK

TASK 1 (1220) – VERIFY SCOPE/CONDUCT PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN

A. Work Progress

- Prepared for and participated in the following meetings:
 - ✓ May 1 With Team II
 - ✓ May 6 With Working Group
 - ✓ May 6 With Melvindale Council and Mayor
 - ✓ May 7 With Oakland County Commission
 - ✓ May 12 With Wayne County Executive Ficano
 - ✓ May 12 With the Southeast Michigan Air Quality Enhancements Group (teleconference)
 - ✓ May 14 With Michigan House Transportation Subcommittee
 - ✓ May 19 With the Core Team
 - ✓ May 27 With Genesee County Commission
 - ✓ May 27 With the LAC/LAG
 - ✓ May 27 With the City's Workforce Development program
- Continued to provide information on Private Sector Forum participants.
- Assisted in the preparation of materials for the May 14th legislative hearing.

B. Products

- Notes and presentation materials, as required, on each of the above-noted meetings.
- Materials on the Forum posted on the project Web site. Two videos posted on YouTube.

C. <u>Task Evaluation</u>

- While there was a meeting with "Team II" on May 1st, a follow-up meeting has still not been scheduled. This in turn delays reestablishing the Local Agency Group.
- The Private Sector Forum's communication base has been broadened with regular e-mails.

 Additionally, the project videos, including an overview of the forum, are available the project Web site and on YouTube. Finally, a Twitter site has been established.

D. **Upcoming Plans**

- Prepare for and participate in the following meetings:
 - ✓ June 3 With Working Group
 - ✓ June 4 With Steering Committee
 - ✓ June 16 With the Core Team
 - ✓ June 16 With Representative Tlaib
 - ✓ June 24– With the LAC/LAG
 - ✓ To Be Decided With Team II
- Provide the first newsletter to the Forum participants.
- Assist, as appropriate, in the Roll-out meetings.

TASK 2 (2120) – PREPARE TRAFFIC ANALYSIS REPORT

A. Work Progress

 Continued to refine the Delray truck traffic analysis and slide presentation in cooperation with MDOT review.

B. Products

• Updated slide presentation on the Delray truck traffic analysis.

C. Task Evaluation

 Comments on the Interchange Access Justification Report from FHWA Washington are still being awaited.

D. Upcoming Plans

Complete the IAJR once comments are received.

• Finalize the Delray truck traffic analysis.

TASK 3 (2130) – PREPARE JOB JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE AND NEED STATEMENT

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 4 (2140) – DEVELOP/REVIEW ILLUSTRATIVE ALTERNATIVES

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 5 (2160) – DEVELOP SCOPING DOCUMENT

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 6 (2310) – CONDUCT SEE TECHNICAL STUDIES

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 7 (2320) – AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 8 (2330) – GEOTECHNICAL DATA

A. Work Progress

• Global stability analysis has been placed on hold.

B. Products

• None, as none required.

C. <u>Task Evaluation</u>

• Direction is needed from the MDOT project manager on completing the Interchange Geotechnical Report in light of the fact that the global stability analysis has been postponed indefinitely.

D. **Upcoming Plans**

 Complete the Interchange Geotechnical Report as guidance is provided by the MDOT project manager.

TASK 9 (2340) – PRACTICAL ALTERNATIVES

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 10 (2360) – PREPARE DEIS

A. Work Progress

This task has been completed.

TASK 11 (2380) – DEIS AVAILABILITY/PUBLIC HEARING

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 12 (2510) – RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE

A. Work Progress

- Updated and provided a more detail on the schedule of the DRIC.
- Submitted to MDOT additional information on survey in the interchange area.
- Continued to compile portions of the Administrative Record, as appropriate.

B. Products

- Updated DRIC schedule.
- Additional information on survey in the interchange area.

C. Task Evaluation

 The Recommended Alternatives Analysis will be completed once guidance is provided by the MDOT project manager with respect to the interchange geotechnical work. • More information needs to be compiled to complete the interchange area survey.

D. **Upcoming Plans**

- Continue with some transitional planning, as appropriate.
- Continue to compile portions of the Administrative Record as additional information develops.
- Compile and provide to MDOT the requested survey information for the interchange area.

TASK 13 (2525) – ENGINEERING REPORT

A. Work Progress

Submitted to MDOT additional information on survey in the interchange area.

B. Products

None, as none required.

C. Task Evaluation

- The Global Stability Analysis for the interchange has been postponed indefinitely. Direction is needed from the MDOT project manager to complete the Geotechnical Analysis of the interchange and, therefore, the Engineering Report.
- More information needs to be compiled to complete the interchange area survey.

D. Upcoming Plans

- Conclude the Engineering Report based on guidance from the MDOT project manager on the interchange geotechnical work.
- Continue some transitional planning, as appropriate.
- Compile and provide to MDOT the requested survey information for the interchange area.\

TASK 14 (2530) – PREPARE FEIS

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 15 (2550) – OBTAIN RECORD OF DECISION

A. Work Progress

Provided information from "responses to comments" sections of FEIS and ROD to MDOT attorney.

B. Products

• New matrix of "responses to comments".

C. Task Evaluation

• Work in this area is as directed by MDOT attorney.

D. **Upcoming Plans**

• Continue to respond to information requests made by MDOT's attorney.

TASK 16 (2810) – CONDUCT INITIAL SITE ASSESSMENT

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 17 (2820) – CONDUCT PRELIMINARY SITE INVESTIGATION

A. Work Progress

Assist MDOT, as appropriate, to continue the PSI for sites for which access is granted.

B. Products

• None, as none required.

C. Task Evaluation

• This work is likely to continue as access to various sites is gained.

D. **Upcoming Plans**

• Continue PSIs as access to sites is gained, and as directed by MDOT.

TASK 18 (3310) – AERIAL TOPOGRAPHIC MAPPING

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 19 (3320) – PHOTOGRAMMETRIC CONTROL SURVEY

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 20 (3330) – DESIGN SURVEY

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 21 (3350) – HYDRAULICS SURVEY

A. Work Progress

• Work on this task was not needed as all alternatives with piers in the river were eliminated.

TASK 22 (4510) – RIGHT-OF-WAY SURVEY

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 23 (3370) – STRUCTURE SURVEY

A. Work Progress

• This task has been completed.

TASK 24 (3520) – SCOUR ANALYSIS

A.. Work Progress

• Work in this area was not initiated as all alternatives with piers in the river were eliminated.

TASK 25 (3530) – FOUNDATION INVESTIGATION

A. Work Progress

• Global stability analysis has been placed on hold.

B. Products

None, as none required.

C. Task Evaluation

• Direction is needed from the MDOT project manager on completing the Interchange Geotechnical Report in light of the fact that the global stability analysis has been postponed indefinitely.

D. Upcoming Plans

 Complete the Interchange Geotechnical Report as guidance is provided by the MDOT project manager.

TASK 26 (3710) – REQUIRED MITIGATION

A. Work Progress

- Met with the local community representatives to assist in preparing an application for the second phase of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP-2) funding being made available by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- Met with Representative Tlaib as it involves interaction with the Community Benefits Coalition.
- Participated in a Southeast Michigan Air Quality Enhancement teleconference as it relates to implementing the mitigation.
- Met with the City of Detroit Workforce Development Program to implement the job training/English as a Second Language (ESL) portion of the mitigation/enhancement.

B. Products

• Draft notes of the Southeast Michigan Air Quality Enhancement teleconference.

C. Task Evaluation

Meeting with the Community Benefits Coalition scheduled for May 27th was canceled by CBC.
 Interaction with the CBC must be on a regular basis with clear communications.

D. **Upcoming Plans**

- Continue to meet with the community to assist them in preparing an NSP-2 application.
- Continue to meet with the Community Benefits Coalition as well as the LAC.
- Present at the next LAC meeting a review of the progress on the mitigation/enhancement work.

D. UPDATE OF PREVIOUSLY APPROVED SCHEDULE (ATTACHED)

• The latest revisions to the schedule in Section G were completed in October.

E. ITEMS NEEDED FROM MDOT

- FHWA/Washington comments on the IAJR.
- Decision on how to handle the Engineering Report and the interchange geotechnical work.
- Comments on consultant's input to the Administrative Record.

F. SUBSTANTIVE VERBAL CONTACTS WITH MDOT

- At the following meetings:
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 - ✓ May 14 With Michigan House Transportation Subcommittee
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 - ✓ May 27 With the LAC/LAG
- Daily e-mail and telephone conversations with the MDOT Project Manager's organization while he was away on vacation.

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G. SCHEDULE DETAIL

Original Data	Antisinated Data		Evalenction
Original Date	Anticipated Date		Explanation
Fourth week of February 2005	Fourth week of February 2005	1	Preliminary Evaluation Criteria
Last week of March 2005	Mid-April 2005 ¹	2	Study Kickoff
Third week of June 2005	Third week of June 2005	3	Illustrative Alternatives Definition
Fourth week of June 2005	Fourth week of June 2005	4	Scoping Document
Fourth week of August 2005	Fourth week of August 2005	5	Scoping
Third week of November 2005	Third week of November 2005	6	Preliminary Evaluation of Illustrative Alternatives
Second week of December 2005	Second week of December 2005	7	Preliminary Illustrative Alternatives Evaluation
Fourth week of February 2006	Fourth week of February 2006	8	Evaluation of Illustrative Alternatives/Select Practical Alternatives
Third week of March 2006	Third week of March 2006	9	Practical Alternatives Selection
First week of April 2006	First week of April 2006	10	Context Sensitive Design 1
First week of May 2006	First week of May 2006	11	Community Impact Assessment 1
First week of June 2006	First week of June 2006	12	Community Planning
First week of August 2006 ¹	First week of November 2006	13	Context Sensitive Design 3
Additional Task ^{1,2}	Second week of February 2007	14	Context Sensitive Design 4
Additional Task ^{1,2}	Second week of April 2007	15	Context Sensitive Design 5
Additional Task ^{1,2}	Second week of June 2007	16	Context Sensitive Design 6
Fourth week of July 2006 ^{1,2}	Last week of July 2007	17	Engineering Concepts Report
Second week of August 2006 ^{1,2}	Second week of August 2007	18	Preliminary DEIS
Fourth week of November 2006 ^{1,2}	Second week of November 2007	19	Public Hearing Script/Video
Second week of October 2006 ^{1,2}	Mid-October 2007	20	Draft DEIS
Second week of December 2006 ^{1,2}	End of December 2007	21	FHWA Approved DEIS
Second week of January 2007 ^{1,2}	Mid-January 2008	22	DEIS Public Hearing
Second week of April 2007 ^{1,2}	Mid-February 2008	23	Public Hearing Transcript Comment Summary
Fourth week of July 2007 ^{1,2,3}	Second week of June 2008	24	Recommended Alternative
Second week of December 2007 ^{1,2}	Second week of June 2008 ³	25	Recommended Alternative Presentation
Fourth week of August 2007 ^{1,2}	Last week of November 2008 ^{3,4.5}	26	Final EIS
Fourth week of September 2007 ^{1,2}	Last week of November 2008 ^{4,5}	27	Final Engineering Report
Fourth week of November 2007 ^{1,2}	December,2008-Draft/Jaunary, 2009 Final ^{4,5}	28	MOU
Fourth week of December 2007 ^{1,2}	December,2008DRAFT/Januaty,2009-FINAL ^{4,5}	29	Access Justification Report (signature after ROD signature)
Fourth week of December 2007 ^{1,2}	December,2008-Draft/Januaty.2009 Final ^{4,54}	30	ROD

¹ Revised in September 2006. ² Revised in January 2007. ³ Revised in January 2008. ⁴ Revised August 2008 ⁵ Revised November 2008

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H. CONTACT RECORDS

- Daily contact records, daily e-mails and conversations by phone and in person with the MDOT Project Manager's staff and other MDOT personnel.
- Monthly progress report.
- Notes, as appropriate, of the following meetings:
 - ✓ May 1 With Team II
 - ✓ May 6 With Working Group
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