



April 30, 2018

Secretary Matthew Beaton
Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs
100 Cambridge Street
Boston MA 02110

Re: EEA No. 14346

Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report, South Coast Rail Project Phase 1

## Dear Secretary Beaton:

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) is pleased to submit the attached Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (FSEIR) for Phase 1 of the South Coast Rail Project. MassDOT is proceeding with design and permitting of the Stoughton Straight Electric Alternative (the "Full Build Project") already reviewed under the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA), while also proposing to adopt a phased approach to provide service to the South Coast region beginning more than eight years earlier than would otherwise be possible with the Full Build Project alone.

In accordance with the Certificate on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) issued by the Secretary of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs on March 23, 2018, this FSEIR includes a Response to Comments and updated Draft Section 61

Stephanie Pollack Secretary and CEO

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