



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**  
**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460**

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**In Reply Refer to:**

EPA File No: 49X-16-R5

Joe McGuinness  
Commissioner  
Indiana Department of Transportation  
100 North Senate Avenue  
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2251

**Re: Referral of Administrative Correspondence**

Dear Commissioner McGuinness:

On February 25, 2016, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) External Civil Rights Compliance Office (ECRCO) received a comment in response to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to Amend EPA's Nondiscrimination Regulation. The commenter included a document alleging that an Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) project is not in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. As INDOT is not a recipient of EPA financial assistance, ECRCO lacks jurisdiction over this matter and has closed this complaint as of the date of this letter.

ECRCO understands that the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) may have jurisdiction over the matters alleged in this complaint. We have notified the Complainant that her complaint has been forwarded to FHWA for appropriate action.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Brittany Martinez at (202) 564-0727 or by mail at the U.S. EPA Office of Civil Rights (Mail Code 1201A), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington D.C. 20460-1000.

Sincerely,



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