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Angela Williams, Acting Deputy Director
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U.S. Department of Transportation
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via email: angela.williams@dot.gov

RE: Referral of EPA Complaint No. 01-26-R3

Dear Acting Deputy Director Angela Williams:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Civil Rights and Adjudication (OCRA), External Civil Rights Division (ECRD) received an external civil rights complaint alleging the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission discriminated against residents of Southern Prince George's County, Maryland, including Brandywine, Maryland based on race. Pursuant to EPA's non-discrimination regulations, EPA is closing the complaint because it lacks jurisdiction. See 40 C.F.R. § 7.120(d).

However, due to the subject matter of the allegations, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) may have jurisdiction over the alleged claims. Therefore, ECRD is referring this complaint to DOT to make a determination regarding ECRD's referral. See attached.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Case Manager Nell Cormack by email at Cormack.Nell@epa.gov

Sincerely,

JuanCarlos M. Hunt, Director
U.S. EPA, Office of Civil Rights and Adjudication

Enclosures: Administrative Complaint and Recipient Rejection Letter

cc: Catherine Libertz, Deputy Regional Administrator/Deputy Civil Rights Official
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