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**Federal Highway
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Washington, D.C. 20590

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Dear (b) (6):

This is in reference to your request for reconsideration of the decision rendered by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in the complaint of discrimination you filed against the City of Virginia Beach and the Virginia Department of Transportation (Respondent). The FHWA issued a Letter of Finding dated July 12, 2011, that concluded the evidence did not support a finding of discrimination.

The FHWA does not have an appeal process and will only reconsider a finding when information is provided that shows the finding did not adequately address the issues raised in the complaint. The evidence reviewed during the investigation shows that the Respondent denied requests from both African American and Caucasian individuals and organizations. There was no evidence of unfair treatment. Based on these facts, the FHWA will not reconsider its findings. However, this decision does not preclude you from pursuing this matter in the appropriate U.S. District Court.

Sincerely yours,

Brenda F. Armstead
Director, Investigations and Adjudications