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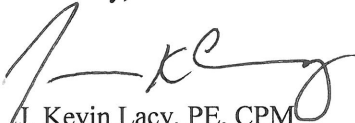
Reference: Request for MUTCD-Interim Approval for Optional Use of Alternative Signal Warrant 7 -  
Crash Experience (IA-19)

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) herein requests blanket interim approval for optional use of Alternative Signal Warrant 7 at select locations statewide (all jurisdictions) when based on an appropriate engineering study. This request reflects the provisions of Section 1A.10 of the 2009 edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) memorandum "MUTCD Interim Approval for Optional Use of an Alternative Signal Warrant 7 – Crash Experience (IA-19)" dated February 24, 2017.

The North Carolina Department of Transportation agrees to comply with the technical details in memorandum IA-19, and will maintain an inventory list of locations where this Alternative Signal Warrant 7 – Crash Experience is used to justify installation of a signal to be provided to the FHWA if requested. NCDOT acknowledges that the FHWA has the right to rescind the interim approval at any time and that the issuance of the interim approval does not guarantee that the provisions, either in whole or part, will be adopted into the MUTCD. North Carolina municipalities will comply with the agreement conditions and will be responsible for providing NCDOT with inventories of installed locations.

We appreciate your consideration of this interim approval request. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (919) 814-5100 or Brian Mayhew at (919) 814-5010.

Sincerely,



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