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Dear Mr. Henley:

Thank you for your letter of August 5 requesting approval to use Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) on a blanket basis at uncontrolled pedestrian and school crosswalk locations statewide in California, including State highways and all local jurisdictions' roadways. Your request is made under the provisions of Section 1A.10 of the 2009 edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and our Interim Approval memorandum IA-11 dated July 16, 2008.

Your request is approved, subject to the terms and conditions of the referenced Interim Approval memorandum and to your agreement to comply with Item D.1. of Paragraph 18 of Section 1A.10 of the MUTCD. This approval is granted on a blanket basis for all locations in California at which the California Department of Transportation and local highway agencies install RRFBs under the technical conditions contained in IA-11. Please develop and periodically update a list of all locations where RRFB are installed in California. Local jurisdictions that install RRFB under this Interim Approval should inform your office of such installations so you can maintain a comprehensive list of locations. Your specific approval has been numbered "IA-11-83 - RRFB – California Statewide." Please reference this number in any future correspondence.

Thank you for your interest in improving pedestrian safety. If we can be of further assistance on this matter, please feel free to contact Mr. Scott Wainwright of our MUTCD Team by e-mail at **scott.wainwright@dot.gov** or by telephone at 202-366-0857.

Sincerely yours,

Mark R. Kehrli
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