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Mr. Gerry Meis
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Dear Mr. Meis:

Thank you for your November 29 letter requesting permission to experiment with the RV Friendly Symbol Sign. On September 6, 2005, our office issued an Interim Approval (see website at <http://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov>) for the optional use of the RV Friendly symbol on specific service signs to indicate that a business has facilities that are designed to accommodate recreational vehicles and other over-sized vehicles.

Please be advised that the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and all local government agencies within California are hereby granted approval to use the RV Friendly symbol sign on specific service signs. The agencies using the symbol sign should maintain a record of the locations where it is installed and ensure that when the symbol is applied, enough space exists so that the RV Friendly symbol does not overlap with the logos of other non-participating businesses included on the specific service sign. We would appreciate it if you would keep us apprised of the symbol's performance.

For recordkeeping purposes, we have numbered and titled this request, "Interim Approval Number IA-8.11, RV Friendly Symbol Sign—Caltrans." Please refer to this number and title in any future correspondence. If we can be of further assistance, please contact Ms. Linda L. Brown of the FHWA MUTCD Team at 202-366-2192.

Sincerely yours,

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November 29, 2006

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Re.: Interim Approval Request

Dear Ms. McElroy:

As per the provisions of Section 1A.10 of the 2003 edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices and the Interim Approval process, the California Department of Transportation hereby requests approval to use the following devices on a blanket basis statewide, including all local jurisdictions within California:

- Interim Interim Approval for Optional Use of RV Friendly Symbol Sign.
- Interim Approval for Use of Clearview Font for Positive Contrast Legends on Guide Signs
- Optional use of wayside horn system (WHS) at highway-rail grade crossings
- Optional use of retroreflective borders on traffic signal backplates

We understand that if approval is granted, in accordance with Section 1A.10, any local jurisdiction using these devices under this statewide interim approval is required to inform the California Department of Transportation of such use. Also, they must agree to terminate the use if it becomes apparent that there are significant safety concerns.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 654-4715 or via e-mail gerry_meis@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gerry Meis".

GERRY MEIS, Chief
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