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Mr. D.W. Vaughn
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Dear Mr. Vaughn:

Thank you for your January 10 letter requesting formal approval for the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) to participate in the use of Clearview fonts in accordance with the Federal Highway Administration Interim Approval for Use of the Clearview Font for Positive Contrast Legends on Guide Signs dated September 2, 2004. We apologize for the delay in responding to your letter.

Please be advised that ALDOT and all highway agencies within the State of Alabama are hereby granted approval to use the Clearview Font for positive contrast legends on guide signs in accordance with the requirements of the Federal Highway Administration Interim Approval. For recordkeeping purposes, we have numbered and titled this Interim Approval as IA-5.21, Clearview—Alabama DOT. Please refer to this number and title in any future correspondence. If we can be of further assistance or in the event of further questions, you may contact Mr. Fred Ranck of the FHWA MUTCD team at 708-283-3545.

Sincerely yours,

Anthony T. Furst
Acting Director, Office of Transportation
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Dear Mr. Bartlett

**RE: Request to Implement Use of Clearview Fonts
Compliance with MUTCD Interim Approval (IA-9)
Alabama Department of Transportation**

The Alabama Department of Transportation herewith requests permission to implement the use of the Clearview Font. The use of the Fonts will be limited to guide signing on Interstates and Expressways. The Department agrees to comply with the provisions of the 2003 MUTCD, Section 1A.10 regarding the conditions and limitations of Interim Approvals. Should future rulemaking exclude the use of Clearview Fonts, request will be forthcoming to retain all installed signs with Clearview Font as long as acceptable levels of retroreflectivity are maintained and the signs are serviceable.

Should you have questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Timothy Taylor, State Traffic Engineer at (334) 242-6275.

Yours Very Truly,

D.W. Vaughn
Chief Engineer

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C: M. Harper, Asst. Chief Engineer