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SUBJECT: Publication 46 (Traffic Engineering Manual) 2012 Update

TO: District Executives

FROM: Charles C. Goodhart, Director /s/
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This Strike-off Letter (SOL) is to update Publication 46 (Traffic Engineering Manual) to ensure compliance with the Federal Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) 2009 edition and is considered time neutral.

A summary of the revisions include:

- Chapter 1 has been updated to provide access route approval information.
- Chapter 2 has been updated to provide the appropriate updates to the signing nomenclature and justification to ensure consistency with the 2009 MUTCD. In addition the Tourist Oriented Directional Signs (TODS) program was reevaluated and clarification was provided.
- Chapter 3 has been updated to eliminate the outdated retroreflective procedures.
- Chapter 4 has been significantly upgraded to provide guidance on key issues such as traffic signal spacing, intersection control beacon warrants, flashing warning device warrants, and the removal of traffic signal strobe lights.
- Chapter 11 has been updated to provide clarification as to the study parameters within the Chapter and provided direction as the use of the Traffic Engineering (TE) forms.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the attached publication, please contact Glenn Rowe, P.E., Chief, Traffic Operations Division, Bureau of Maintenance and Operations, at 717-783-6479.

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