RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments' Quarterly Investment Report for the quarter ended December 31, 2014 is hereby submitted in accordance with the Public Funds Investment Act; and,

WHEREAS, the Executive Board has reviewed the document and finds it to be in compliance with the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The North Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Board hereby accepts the Quarterly Investment Report for the quarter ended December 31, 2014.

Section 2. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Kathryn Wilemon, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Mayor Pro Tem, City of Arlington

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on January 22, 2015.

Daniel Scarth, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Fort Worth

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE TO THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET AND THE RECEIPT OF NEW GRANT FUNDING

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) acts as the Administrative Entity and Fiscal Agent of the North Central Texas Workforce Development Board (Workforce Board); and,

WHEREAS, the Workforce Board has identified carry over funding totaling approximately \$1.32 million over and above the amount estimated during the FY 2015 budget process; and

WHEREAS, the Workforce Board has been notified by the Texas Workforce Commission that it has been selected to receive additional funding in the form of a new grant referred to as the Long-Term Unemployed Initiative which totals approximately \$109,000; and

WHEREAS, the Workforce Board proposes utilizing a portion of the additional carry over funds plus the projected additional funds from the Long-Term Unemployed Initiative to increase the Workforce Board's Budget by an amount totaling \$575,000. The additional budget funds are projected to be utilized to complete projects designed to improve customer outreach effectiveness and workforce center workflow efficiencies; and

WHEREAS, a budget amendment will be presented to the Workforce Board's Oversight and Accountability subcommittee and the full Workforce Board for their approval prior to the January NCTCOG Executive Board meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- **Section 1.** NCTCOG is authorized to receive funding in the amount of approximately \$109,000 through the Texas Workforce Commission,
- **Section 2.** NCTCOG authorizes the use of approximately \$466,000 of unallocated Workforce Development carryover funds for Workforce Development funded activities.
- **Section 3.** The FY 2015 Budget is hereby amended to include an additional \$575,000 for Workforce Development funded activities designed to improve customer outreach effectiveness and workforce center workflow efficiencies.
- **Section 4.** The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute contractual agreements with the Texas Workforce Commission to carry out this project.

Section 5. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

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Kathryn Wilemon, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Mayor Pro Tem, City of Arlington

I hereby certify that the resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on January 22, 2015.

Daniel Scarth, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Fort Worth

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE TO CONDUCT A DIESEL INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has designated the ten-county area of Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Johnson, Kaufman, Parker, Rockwall, Tarrant, and Wise Counties as moderate nonattainment under the 2008 8-Hour National Ambient Air Quality Standard for the pollutant ozone, effective July 20, 2012; and EPA has proposed a more stringent revised ozone standard within a range of 65 to 70 parts per billion, which may require substantial additional emissions reductions; and,

WHEREAS, the RTC is responsible for air quality conformity and the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 require that in air quality nonattainment areas transportation plans and improvement programs conform to the applicable air quality implementation plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation requested NCTCOG to coordinate with the Texas Transportation Institute to conduct a Diesel Inspection and Maintenance Demonstration Program; and,

WHEREAS, element 3.03 of the FY2014 and FY2015 Unified Planning Work Program provides for investigation of potential measures for greater implementation including a feasibility study on an enhanced inspection and maintenance program; and,

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code, provides authority for NCTCOG to coordinate with local partners for the provision of governmental functions and services of mutual interest.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. NCTCOG is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Texas Transportation Institute to conduct a Diesel Inspection and Maintenance Demonstration Program in the amount of approximately \$250,000 (\$200,000 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program funds and \$50,000 match from the Texas Transportation Institute). **Section 2.** The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments to carry out the initiatives described herein.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

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North Central Texas Council of Governments Mayor Pro Tem, City of Arlington

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on January 22, 2015.

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Daniel Scarth, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Fort Worth

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH AGENCIES RECEIVING FUNDING UNDER THE INCIDENT MANAGEMENT EQUIPMENT PURCHASE 2014 CALL FOR PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, Element 5.06 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 and FY2015 Unified Planning Work Program, provides for Freeway Incident Management Training as part of the Congestion Management Operations Program; and,

WHEREAS, the Freeway Incident Management (FIM) Training Program is designed to initiate a common coordinated response to traffic incidents that will build partnerships, enhance safety for emergency personnel, reduce secondary traffic crashes, improve the efficiency of the transportation system, and improve air quality in the Dallas-Fort Worth region; and

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2014, the RTC approved staff to conduct the Incident Management Equipment Purchase 2014 Call for Projects with \$2 million of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) funds to assist local governments in obtaining equipment and technology designed to facilitate quick incident clearance; and

WHEREAS, on January 8, 2015, the RTC approved the project selection recommendations for the Call for Projects; and,

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code, provides authority for NCTCOG to coordinate with local partners for the provision of governmental functions and services of mutual interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- <u>Section 1</u>. Agreements between NCTCOG and recipients receiving funding under the Incident Management Equipment Purchase 2014 Call for Projects in an amount not to exceed \$1,712,646 total award, as outlined in Attachment 1, be and are hereby approved.
- **Section 2.** The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute Agreements in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments to carry out the initiatives described herein.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

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Kathryn Wilemon, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Mayor Pro Tem, City of Arlington

I hereby certify that the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments adopted this resolution on January 22, 2015.

Daniel Scarth, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Fort Worth

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NCTCOG INCIDENT MANAGEMENT EQUIPMENT PURCHASE 2014 CALL FOR PROJECTS PROJECT SELECTION

Eastern Subregion - Project Summary

| | Agency | Project Types | # of Projects Awarded | Maximum Award |
|----|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | City of Anna | Traffic Control Equipment, Responder Safety Gear, and Dynamic Message Boards | 3 | \$57,303 |
| 2 | City of Dallas | Traffic Control Equipment, Dynamic Message Boards, Responder Radios and Accident Investigation Technology | 5 | \$144,739 |
| 3 | City of Frisco | Traffic Control Equipment, TMC Equipment, Thermal Imager and Incident Dispatching Software | 4 | \$372,526 |
| 4 | City of Denton | Traffic Control Equipment, Responder Safety Gear, Scene Lighting, and Dynamic Message Boards | 7 | \$52,512 |
| 5 | City of Farmers Branch | Traffic Control Equipment, Responder Radios, Accident Investigation Technology | 3 | \$67,208 |
| 6 | City of Flower Mound | Responder Opticom Emitters | 1 | \$4,905 |
| 7 | City of Grand Prairie | Traffic Control Equipment and Dynamic Message Boards | 3 | \$33,606 |
| 8 | City of Richardson | Accident Investigation Technology | 1 | \$10,248 |
| 9 | Dallas County | Crash Attenuator Trucks Equipped with Traffic Control and Scene Management Equipment (Arrowboards, Lighting) | 2 | \$233,174 |
| 10 | Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) | Accident Investigation Technology | 1 | \$60,000 |
| | | Total | 30 | \$1,036,221 |

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NCTCOG INCIDENT MANAGEMENT EQUIPMENT PURCHASE 2014 CALL FOR PROJECTS PROJECT SELECTION

Western Subregion - Project Summary

| | Agency | Project Types | # of Projects Awarded | Maximum Award |
|---|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | City of Arlington | Traffic Control Equipment, Crash Attenuators, Arrowboards, Push Bumpers/Transit Clusters and Accident Investigation Technology | 8 | \$343,949 |
| 2 | City of Euless | Traffic Control Equipment, Responder Safety Gear, Scene Lighting, and Dynamic Message Boards | 5 | \$34,597 |
| 3 | City of Fort Worth | Heavy Duty Response Truck Equipped with Traffic Control Equipment, Responder Safety Gear, Portable Message Boards, and Accident Investigation Technology | 7 | \$160,036 |
| 4 | City of Grapevine | Accident Investigation Technology | 1 | \$32,262 |
| 5 | City of Hurst | Traffic Control Equipment and Scene Lighting | 3 | \$5,617 |
| 6 | City of North Richland Hills | Heavy Duty Response Truck Equipped with Traffic Control Equipment | 1 | \$78,028 |
| 7 | City of Weatherford | Traffic Control Equipment, Scene Lighting and Accident Investigation Technology | 4 | \$21,937 |
| | | Total | 29 | \$676,425 |

Grand Total: \$1,712,646

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING LOCAL GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATION IN THE SOLAR READY II PROJECT AND ADOPTION OF SOLAR ENERGY BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) Executive Board is the policy development body and is responsible for the general policies and programs of the NCTCOG and for control of the funds; and,

WHEREAS, the NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW) Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the NCTCOG Strategic Plan directs staff to identify and implement regional measures to reduce air pollutant emissions; and,

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has designated the ten-county area of Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Johnson, Kaufman, Parker, Rockwall, Tarrant, and Wise Counties as a moderate nonattainment area under the 2008 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards, and EPA has proposed a more stringent revised ozone standard within a range of 65 to 70 parts per billion, which may require substantial additional emissions reductions; and,

WHEREAS, emissions inventories from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality indicate that in 2018, approximately five percent of ozone-forming nitrogen oxides emissions in the DFW ozone nonattainment area are expected to be attributable to Electric Utility Point sources; and,

WHEREAS, increases in the amount of electricity generated by low-emitting, renewable energy sources, such as solar energy, have the potential to help reduce emissions that lead to ozone formation, improve the reliability of the Texas electrical grid, and facilitate more sound local energy reliability in cases of natural disaster or preparedness planning; and,

WHEREAS, the NCTCOG, in partnership with the National Association of Regional Councils, the Mid-America Regional Council, Meister Consultants Group, the Council of State Governments, and other regional planning agencies, is administering the Solar Ready II project in the DFW area through a grant application awarded by the Department of Energy under the Rooftop Solar Challenge II Program, which was endorsed by the NCTCOG Executive Board on March 28, 2013; and,

WHEREAS, the goal of the Solar Ready II project is to achieve measurable improvements in market conditions for solar photovoltaic (PV) across the region by providing local government representatives with information and best management practices (BMPs) that will enable local government policies and processes to be updated in a way that accommodates growth of new, innovative technologies, such as solar energy; and,

WHEREAS, the NCTCOG Executive Board wishes to encourage regional efforts to achieve workable solutions that conserve resources, improve reliability of the electrical grid, and support efforts to attain the ozone standard.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1. The NCTCOG Executive Board endorses the goal of the Solar Ready II project and recommends its member governments pass a resolution, similar to that shown in Attachment 1, to participate in the project and implement solar BMPs as provided by the NCTCOG.
- **Section 2.** This resolution will be transmitted to all local governments within the 16-county region.
- **Section 3.** The NCTCOG is authorized to receive funds from local governments, partner entities, and the State of Texas through FY2016 to continue work on solar initiatives suggested and prioritized by Solar Ready II stakeholders.
- **Section 4.** The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments to carry out the initiatives described herein.

Section 5. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

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Kathryn Wilemon, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Mayor Pro Tem, City of Arlington

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Daniel Scarth, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Fort Worth