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Idaho Transportation Department 11331 W. Chinden Blvd. Boise, ID 83714

Dear Chairman Moad:

The City of Ketchum is disappointed with your resolve to install traffic signals instead of a roundabout at the intersection of State Highway 75 (SH-75) and Serenade Lane. We remain confident that a traffic light at this location does not provide the safest solution nor is it in the best interest of the community. However, given your decision, we would like to work with you on a solution that meets your construction timeframe.

Our studies suggest that signals at SH-75 and Serenade Lane are not needed to manage current traffic volumes. We request that the system's mast arms and traffic lights are not immediately installed, even if wiring and other supporting infrastructure to operate them in the future are completed next year. It would be in the community's best interest <u>not</u> to install or operate the signals until traffic volumes justify their use.

We are happy to share more data regarding our findings and work with you and the Federal Highway Administration (if it is helpful) on this solution. Thank you for your consideration and cooperation. We look forward to discussing the matter with you further.

Sincerely,

Mayor Neil Bradshaw and Ketchum City Council Members

cc: Director Stokes, Chief Deputy McElhinney, and Idaho Transportation Department Board Members