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May 20, 2014

Mr. David Valenstein
Division Chief, Environment and Systems Planning
Federal Railroad Administration
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, MS-20
Washington, DC 20590

RE: All Aboard Florida – Indian River County Cooperating Agency Status

Dear Mr. Valenstein,

On behalf of the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners, I am writing to you to respectfully request that Indian River County be deemed a Cooperating Agency in the All Aboard Florida NEPA environmental review process. All Aboard Florida passenger rail service is proposed to run through the most populated portions of Indian River County as well as through several environmentally sensitive areas of the County. We believe that Indian River County has unique, local expertise with respect to the various aspects of the environmental review areas enumerated within the Federal Railroad Administration's Procedures for Considering Environmental Impacts. Because of our local expertise, Indian River County should be included as a Cooperating Agency in the NEPA process.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Peter D. O'Bryan".

Peter D. O'Bryan, Chairman
Indian River County Board of County Commissioners

Cc: Joe Baird, County Administrator
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