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The Honorable Hubert Brodell Mayor, City of Jonesboro P.O. Box 1845 Jonesboro, AR 72403

Dear Mayor Brodell:

Reference is made to your letter regarding the possibility of upgrading the signalized intersection of Highway 18 and Highway 63B/Nettleton Avenue in the City of Jonesboro.

We reviewed this intersection and have determined that it is below currently recommended standards and should be upgraded.

Although the construction and engineering costs related to signalization and roadway improvements at this intersection are eligible for 80% Federal, 10% State and 10% local funding, a signal project cannot be scheduled at this time due to an approximate two year backlog on signal projects. However, should the City desire to proceed with the signal at this time, the Department can issue a permit for the signal's installation at the expense of the City. The estimated cost of this signal is \$<del>85,000</del>.

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If the City should desire to wait until Federal funds become available, please have your City Council pass a Resolution (sample enclosed) and return it to us. The City will be advised when a signal project can be scheduled. The City will be responsible for any additional right-of-way and utility relocation as well as providing power and maintaining the signal after installation.

If you have any questions, please call the Maintenance Division at 501-569-2231.

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Enclosure

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