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The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Office of the Secretary of Transportation
US Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: RAISE Grant Application – Highway 14 Corridor Project

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of Flow Controls, Emerson Automation Solutions, we support the Highway 14 Corridor project. The RAISE Transportation Grant, if awarded to the City of Marshalltown, will support a great community and the businesses that operate here, including Flow Controls.

Flow Controls is located three blocks off of Highway 14, and is one of the largest employers in Marshalltown. Emerson designs, manufactures, installs and services Fisher™ products that control the flow of liquid and gases and are the leading supplier of control valves and instruments for over 140 years. Our employees, suppliers and customers utilize Highway 14, on a daily basis, to access our facilities, and we want this corridor to be a source of community pride rather than one avoided by Marshalltown companies when customers are on-site.

We are confident in the value this project will bring to our business and the community. Increasing the connectivity with sidewalks, trails, and protected pedestrian areas as well as the art and open space components, will make a positive impact for Marshalltown and its businesses. Additionally, these improvements will help address racial equity and reduce barriers to opportunity in a high poverty area of the community. We support the City of Marshalltown's submission of this application and hope you will see the value that it will bring by providing financial assistance to the Marshalltown community. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jill Lutes".

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