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Mr. Richard Hall, Secretary Maryland Department of Planning 301 W. Preston St. Suite 1101 Baltimore MD 21201

RE: Frederick County Adopted Growth Tier Map

Dear Mr. Hall,

Following the initial adoption of the Growth Tier Map on December 20, 2012 and the receipt of comments from MDP the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) held a public meeting on February 26, 2013 to consider a revised Growth Tier Map. A draft Growth Tier Map (dated February 21, 2013) was presented to the BOCC which more closely followed the Growth Tier criteria.

The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) voted to adopt the revised growth tier map on February 26, 2013 to replace the map previously adopted on December 20, 2012. Attached is a description of the growth tiers as they have been applied to Frederick County. With the adoption of this map the County will be submitting a request for the Tier IV exemption.

If you have any questions or comments please contact me at 301-600-1411 or esoter@frederickcountymd.gov.

Sincerely.

Eric Soter Director

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