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Mike Brienzo, Lincoln MPO Coord.  
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SUBJ: MPO Requirements to have a Certified Responsible Charge (RC) person.

Dear Mr. Brienzo:

NDOR, through discussions with FHWA, has determined that MPOs must receive LPA (Local Public Agency) training, and complete certification for "Responsible Charge" or "RC" status for handling Federal PL (Planning) funds.

The MPOs are sub-recipients of Federal funds and are considered (under the LPA Manual Guidelines) to be a LPA. Also, since MPOs do occasionally have subcontracts with consultants that use Federal funds, it is important that the MPOs follow the selection and contracting procedures detailed in the LPA Manual Guidelines.

As you might already know, RC training consists of some prerequisite On-line training, then a series of eight (8) days of classroom courses.

If you haven't already done so, please contact Mitch Doht in our office at (402)479-4432 to register for the next RC training.

Sincerely,

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