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VAR-STW-Safety Studies No. 2023-4 (PID 117887, Agr. 38671) --LIC SR 16 0.20 Draft Safety Study Safety Study comments

Dear Mr. Haines,

GPD Group has reviewed the DRAFT safety study for SR16.0.20 by SINGH. These are our comments:

- Include a diagram showing corporation limits. Access management inside of the corporation limits is the function of the local public agency. Since there is more than one agency involved (Pataskala, Reynoldsburg, and probably Columbus) it gets complicated quickly. We would be glad to assist on Pataskala's behalf.
- 2. The Circle K drive on Taylor Rd (east of the intersection, access closest to the signal) has 27 of the 122 crashes. Consider including some type of revision in the short-term improvements. For example, revising to a right in, right out using reboundable posts.
- 3. Revise the graphic red "x" representations on the Proposed Recommended Improvement diagrams in Appendix G to something different. We concur that these access drive need to be modified but closing the drives is only one option in access management. **Removing** drives have far-reaching implications that need to be considered as the project moves forward.
- 4. Section 7.2, recommendation #1, revise the first sentence to "Add a secondary overhead sign support for westbound eastbound Broad Street (SR 16) ..."

GPD Group appreciates the opportunity to provide this type of traffic engineering services to the City of Pataskala. If you have any questions or comments on this recommended scope, please feel free to contact me via phone at 614-359-9388 or via email at mmeeks@gpdgroup.com.

Respectfully Submitted,

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