



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**Federal Highway
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE.
Washington, DC 20590

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DOT# 2017-0106

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Subject: Dismissal of Complaint DOT#2017-0106

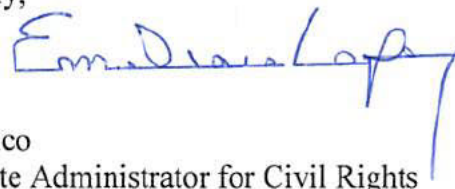
Dear **(b) (6)**:

This letter acknowledges the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Office of Civil Rights is in receipt of your complaint, alleging violations of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI) and USDOT's implementation regulations at 49 C.F.R. Part 21 and/or 23 C.F.R. Part 200. To be accepted for investigation, a complaint must describe an alleged discriminatory act that violates FHWA's nondiscrimination regulations (i.e., an alleged discriminatory act based on race, color, national origin). Your complaint alleges the costs to use the Metro Express Toll Lanes on Interstate 10 in California are too high.

After careful consideration, the FHWA has concluded it must dismiss your complaint. Your complaint alleges discrimination that is financial only, and does not allege discrimination related to your race, color, or national origin pursuant to Title VI. Therefore, the FHWA lacks jurisdiction over the subject matter of your complaint and it will be dismissed. This complaint is now closed, and FHWA's Office of Civil Rights and Division Office there in California will take no further action.

If you have any questions, please contact Nichole McWhorter at (202) 366-1396.

Sincerely,



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Associate Administrator for Civil Rights

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