(16) Request II–215(C)—Regulatory and Street Name Signs on Same Post.

The Public Works Department in Cary, North Carolina, submitted a request to the FHWA to include the installation of a Street Name Guide Sign on the same post with a Regulatory Sign as a standard traffic control device application. After reviewing the evaluation report submitted by the North Carolina State University's Department of Civil Engineering, the FHWA finds that the proposal has merit as an alternate application and makes the following recommendations: (1) If the two signs are placed on one sign post, the proper location of the

Regulatory Sign should not be compromised by the Street Name Sign; and (2) there should be vertical separation between the top and the bottom of both signs. This separation should not be less than 6 inches. This would make it clearer to the motorist that these are two distinct signs with two distinct messages.

The FHWA proposes to adopt this arrangement as an alternate application since its use may simplify the sign installation process and improve motorist guidance information. Since this amendment would impose no requirements or additional costs on highway agencies, the FHWA believes

an implementation period would not be necessary.

(17) Request II–218(C)—Reduce Number of Panels Displayed on Directional Assemblies.

A citizen from Richmond, Virginia, has requested a change to directional assembly installations to reduce the amount of information displayed. Instead of displaying a route shield and route number for each direction of travel, the route marker assembly would display only one route shield and route number with appropriate cardinal directions and arrows.

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