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RE: Draft United States Thoroughfare, Landmark, and Postal Address Data Standard

Dear Mr. DeLoatch,

The Board of Directors of the Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (URISA) is pleased to submit the completed draft of the *United States Thoroughfare, Landmark, and Postal Address Data Standard* to the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) for review and comment. This draft brings to initial completion five years of work by the URISA Address Standard Working Group (ASWG). In 2005, the URISA Board of Directors created the ASWG to assist the FGDC, under the auspices of its Subcommittee on Cultural and Demographic Data, and with interested parties from local, state, Federal, and non-government sectors to create a comprehensive address data standard. The URISA Board fully supports the objectives and benefits described in the standard and is confident the standard will help the national spatial data infrastructure become truly national.

With this submittal we authorize the ASWG to continue to work with the FGDC throughout the FGDC review and approval process, and express our hope that the draft will be approved for public review and, ultimately, adopted as an FGDC standard. The Board thanks the FGDC Standards Working Group and the FGDC Subcommittee on Cultural and Demographic Data for their sponsorship and support of the ASWG.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hilary Perkins". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Hilary Perkins, AICP, GISP
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On Behalf of the URISA Board of Directors

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