NEW ENGLAND TRANSPORTATION CONSORTIUM QUARTERLY PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

A. PROJECT NUMBER AND TITLE:

NETC 14-1

Measuring the Effectiveness of Competency Models for Job Specific Professional Development of Engineers & Engineering Technicians

B. PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(s) & UNIVERSITY(s):

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C. WEB SITE ADDRESS (*If one exists*):

http://www.umasstransportationcenter.org

D. START DATE (Per NETC Agreement):

3/1/2015

E. END DATE (*Per NETC Agreement*):

12/31/2017

F. ANTICIPATED COMPLETION DATE:

12/31/2017

G. PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

The objectives of this project are:

- 1. To identify and review existing Competency Models (CM) and matrices that can help in the development of a DOT specific competency model
- 2. To perform a gap analysis on the existing CM's and matrices to create a DOT specific employee competency matrix
- 3. To create a CM framework for each of the NETC member states
- 4. To run a pilot program in one of the NETC member states
- 5. To determine the financial benefits (return on investment) of having a CM in place
- 6. To create an implementation plan and technology transfer strategy for the research results
- 7. To deliver a final report

H. REPORT PERIOD:

July 01, 2017 to September 30, 2017

I. ACCOMPLISHMENTS THIS PERIOD:

Cole Fitzpatrick is on salary and work is underway.

J. PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED (If any):

K. TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER ACTIVITIES: List any reports, papers, presentations published/presented during the report period or anticipated for the next quarter.

L. STATUS BY TASK:

Task 1: Research Existing CM's and Matrices – 100% complete.

Task 2: Determine Gaps in Existing CM's – 100% complete.

Task 3: Develop a Transportation CM Framework for Each NETC Member State – 60% complete.

Task 4: Run a Pilot Program in at Least One State – 0% complete.

Task 5: Delivery of a Final Report – 20% complete

M. PERCENT COMPLETION OF TOTAL PROJECT: 65 %

N. ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR NEXT QUARTER:

Complete Task 3 and start Task 4.

O. FINANCIAL STATUS:

As of: September 30, 2017

Total Project Budget: \$ 100,000 **Total Expenditures:** \$ 44,619

Note: This report should not require more than 2-3 pages & should be e-mailed to the NETC Coordinator so as to arrive no later than three (3) working days after the end of each calendar quarter.