RESOLUTION

APPROVAL OF THE CROSS-ACCEPTANCE MANUAL TO BE RELEASED WITH THE PRELIMINARY STATE DEVELOPMENT AND REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR CROSS-ACCEPTANCE III

WHEREAS, the State Planning Commission has been created pursuant to the State Planning Act, N.J.S.A. 52:18A-196 et seq., and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Act requires that the State Planning Commission prepare, revise, and readopt a State Development and Redevelopment Plan every three years, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its responsibilities under the State Planning Act, the State Planning Commission did prepare and adopt a State Development and Redevelopment Plan on March 1, 2001, and

WHEREAS, consistent with its responsibilities under the State Planning Act, the State Planning Commission is now prepared to initiate the process required under the State Planning Act for the preparation, revision and readoption of the State Development and Redevelopment Plan, and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Act, specifically N.J.S.A. 52:18A-202, requires that the State Planning Commission together with the negotiating entities for each county enter into a cross-acceptance process to compare planning policies among government levels for the purpose of attaining consistency among municipal, county, regional, and State agency plans and the State Development and Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, to properly carry out this process, the State Planning Commission has adopted regulations, set forth at N.J.A.C. 5:85-1.1 et seq., in order to establish an orderly and efficient process for the preparation, adoption and revision of the State Development and Redevelopment Plan, and
WHEREAS, pursuant to these regulations, the Office of Smart Growth has prepared a Cross-Acceptance Manual for the purpose of providing guidance to negotiating entities and municipalities in undertaking the cross-acceptance process, and

WHEREAS, the Office of Smart Growth has solicited comment and input from County Planning Departments and the public with regard to the form and the content of the Cross-Acceptance Manual, and

WHEREAS, the Plan Implementation Committee of the State Planning Commission has also reviewed the form and the content of the Cross-Acceptance Manual, and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Commission, having considered the comments of the County Planning Departments, the Commission’s Plan Implementation Committee, and other interested parties, has concluded that the Cross-Acceptance Manual will serve to assist in and facilitate the preparation, revision and readoption of the State Development and Redevelopment Plan,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the State Planning Commission approves the Cross-Acceptance Manual dated February 11, 2004 for use by the participants in the cross-acceptance process to be undertaken for the purpose of adoption of a new State Development and Redevelopment Plan.

Certification

This Resolution was adopted by the New Jersey State Planning Commission at its meeting held on Wednesday, February 18, 2004. Ayes: (11) Michele Byers, Dan Ryan, John Eskilson, Curtis Fisher, David Fisher, Tim Brill, Peter Lazaropoulos, Jim Lewis, Marge DellaVecchia, Edward McKenna, George Pruitt. Nays: (0). Abstains: (0).

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Adam Zellner, Secretary
NJ State Planning Commission

Dated: February 18, 2004