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Secretary

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Mr. Donald S. Welsh Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III 1650 Arch Street (Mail Code: 3RA00) Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

Dear Mr. Welsh:

I have enclosed for your approval a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision pertaining to the sub-area motor vehicle emission budgets (MVEBs) for the York/Adams Eight-Hour Ozone Maintenance Area. The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) submitted a SIP revision to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on June 14, 2007, establishing MVEBs for the two counties as a whole. The maintenance plan portion of the June 14, 2007, submission, including MVEBs, was initially approved by EPA January 14, 2008. However, given the multi-jurisdictional nature of the area, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) has requested separate sub-area budgets to allow each of the planning organizations to move their transportation conformity determinations through the approval processes separately.

This submittal includes a SIP revision containing separate sub-area MVEBs for each of the metropolitan/regional planning organizations in the York/Adams area. In addition, certification of public participation activities is enclosed. During the public comment period, a public hearing was scheduled to be held at the Department's York District Office in York, PA on April 23, 2008. The public hearing was cancelled in accordance with 49 CFR § 51.102(a), when no requests to provide oral testimony were received. The comment period closed on April 25, 2008; no written comments were received on the proposed SIP revision prior to the close of the public comment period.

Should you have any questions concerning the requested SIP revision, please contact Joyce E. Epps, Director, Bureau of Air Quality, by e-mail at jeepps@state.pa.us or by telephone at 717-787-9702.

Sincerely,

Secretary

Enclosures