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Secretary

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Mr. Donald S. Welsh
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Dear Mr. Welsh:

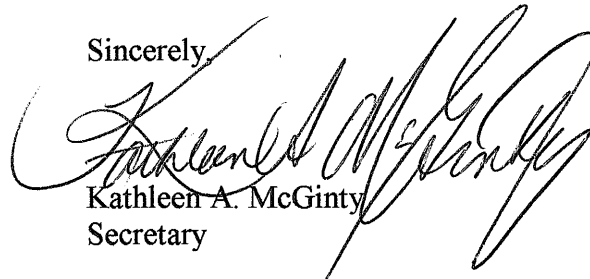
Enclosed for approval by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision pertaining to transportation conformity provisions in Section 176 of the Clean Air Act. The SIP revision updates procedures that regional planning organizations, local and state air agencies and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation use to assess the conformity of transportation plans, programs and projects.

The Commonwealth's public participation process for this SIP revision has been completed. During the public comment period, a public hearing was held in Harrisburg on April 1, 2008, and the written comment period closed on April 4, 2008. The following documents are enclosed for your review and approval:

1. Volumes I and II of the Transportation Conformity SIP Revision;
2. Certification of public participation activities; and
3. Comment/Response Document.

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

Sincerely,



Kathleen A. McGinty
Secretary

Enclosures

