



February 21, 2024

Mr. John Mooney
Director, Air and Radiation Division
U.S. EPA Region V
77 W. Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604

Re: Clarification of Ohio EPA's January 18, 2024 "Request for Approval of Amendments to Rules in Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Chapter 3745-17 into Ohio's State Implementation Plan (SIP)"

Dear Mr. Mooney:

On January 18, 2024, Ohio EPA submitted to U.S. EPA the above referenced request for SIP approval. The requested SIP amendment was for the adoption of amended rules in Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Chapter 3745-17, "Particulate Matter Standards" into Ohio's SIP.

In submitting this SIP request, Ohio EPA did not include our request to exclude the alternate set of opacity limits mentioned in OAC 3745-17-03 paragraphs (B)(1)(a) and (B)(1)(b) from the SIP. Ohio EPA would like to clarify that we would like to add this request to our submittal and request that these requirements be excluded from our January 18, 2024 submittal and request for SIP approval.

Specifically, Ohio EPA should have requested that OAC rule 3745-17-03 paragraphs (B)(1)(b) and the phrase in paragraph (B)(1)(a) reading "Except as provided in paragraph (B)(1)(b) of this rule" be excluded from the SIP and would like to request that this be added to our January 18, 2024 SIP submittal. Ohio EPA is submitting this clarification so that U.S. EPA can proceed with approval of Ohio's January 18, 2024 SIP revision request.



We would appreciate if U.S. EPA would expedite the review of this material. Please contact Jennifer Van Vlerah if you have any questions about this submittal.

Sincerely,

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Chief Division of Air Pollution Control

cc: Jennifer Van Vlerah, Assistant Chief Division of Air Pollution Control