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The Honorable Patrick McDonnell, Secretary
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
Rachel Carson State Office Building
400 Market Street, 16th Floor
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105

Dear Secretary McDonnell:

On October 3, 2017, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) received a state implementation plan (SIP) submittal from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP). The submittal addresses the base year inventory and nonattainment area planning requirements for the nonattainment portion of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania (Allegheny, PA Area) for the 2010 1-hour sulfur dioxide (SO₂) national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS). On October 5, 2017, EPA determined that the submittal is administratively and technically complete. This letter acknowledges that the submittal corrects the deficiency identified in EPA's March 18, 2016 findings of failure to submit SO₂ SIPs (81 FR 14736) as it relates to the Allegheny County, PA Area. Therefore, the sanctions clock triggered by the findings for this area is turned off.

If members of your staff have any questions, they may direct them to Cynthia Stahl, Acting Associate Director, Office of Air Program Planning, at 215-814-2180.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cecil Rodrigues".

Cecil Rodrigues
Acting Regional Administrator

cc: Mr. Krishnan Ramamurthy, PADEP
Ms. Jayme Graham, ACHD

Date: 10.05.2017

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