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Mr. Clint Beck
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Via email at clint.beck@dot.gov

Dear Mr. Beck:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the conformity determinations for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2027-2030 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program for 21 metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. In addition, EPA has reviewed updated Long Range Transportation Plans (LRTPs) for Reading MPO, Blair County MPO, Lackawanna/Luzerne MPO, Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission MPO, and Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission MPO. The EPA reviewed the air quality conformity analysis reports covering all air quality nonattainment and maintenance regions as well as the 1997 8-hour ozone national ambient air quality standards "orphan" regions. The nonattainment, maintenance, and orphan regions have documented their air quality conformity for the FY 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program through the horizon year of their LRTPs. Therefore, the required conformity actions are covered in the new FY 2027-2030 STIP and the regional LRTPs.

The EPA's review of the conformity determinations indicate that the determinations meet the requirements of the Clean Air Act and the applicable regulations promulgated under 40 CFR part 93. Please find EPA's detailed evaluations in the enclosed technical support documents. It should be noted that in the technical support documents, the EPA is deferring to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) on the question of whether the regional LRTPs and STIP are fiscally constrained. The EPA concurs on the overall conformity determination based on the FHWA's determination that the regional LRTPs and TIP are fiscally constrained.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Michael Gordon, Chief, Planning & Implementation Branch, Air & Radiation Division, 1600 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103, at (215) 814-2039 or gordon.mike@epa.gov or Gregory Becoat, at (410) 305-3026 or becoat.gregory@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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ENCLOSURES

1. 1997 O2 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties Conformity Determination TSD
2. 1997 O2 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- Blair County Conformity Determination TSD
3. 1997 O2 2027-2030 TIP 2045 LRTP- Franklin County Conformity Determination TSD
4. 1997 O2 2027-2030 TIP 2045 LRTP- Mercer County Conformity Determination TSD
5. 1997 O2 2027-2030 TIP 2055 LRTP- Centre County Conformity Determination TSD
6. 1997 O2 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- Monroe County Conformity Determination TSD
7. 1997 O2 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- Adams County Conformity Determination TSD
8. 1997 O2 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- Clearfield County Conformity Determination TSD
9. 1997 O2 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- Erie County Conformity Determination TSD
10. 1997 O2 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- Tioga County Conformity Determination TSD
11. 1997 O2 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- Wyoming County Conformity Determination TSD
12. 2008 O2 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- Reading Conformity Determination TSD
13. 1997 O2 and 2006 PM2.5 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- Johnstown Conformity Determination TSD
14. 1997 O2 and 2006 PM2.5 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- York Conformity Determination TSD
15. 2008 O2 2006 PM2.5 2027-2030 TIP 2050 MTP- Lancaster Conformity Determination TSD
16. 2008 O2 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- Carbon County NEPA Conformity Determination TSD
17. SPC 2027-2030 TIP and 2050 LRTP Conformity Determination TSD
18. 1997 O2 2006 PM2.5 and 2012 PM2.5 2027-2030 TIP 2045 LRTP- Lebanon Conformity Determination TSD
19. 1997 O2 and 2006 PM2.5 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- Harrisburg Conformity Determination TSD
20. 2008 O2 2006 PM2.5 2027-2030 TIP 2050 LRTP- Lehigh Valley Conformity Determination TSD
21. FY 2027 PA TIP and 2050 LRTP - Multiple NAAQS for DVRPC TSD

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Pennsylvania Areas Requiring Transportation Conformity

Note: The table reflects the revocation of the 1997 $PM_{2.5}$ NAAQS on October 24, 2016. The table includes the 1997 8-hour ozone NAAQS per the February 16, 2018 D.C Circuit decision in South Coast Air Quality Management District v. EPA (Case No. 15-1115). The impact of this court decision is only on areas that were maintenance or nonattainment of the 1997 ozone NAAQS at the time of revocation and are designated as attainment for the 2008 and 2015 ozone NAAQS. These areas are referred to as "orphan" maintenance areas.

MPO/RPO	Applicable NAAQS	Nonattainment / Maintenance Area Name	Counties in Area	Nonattainment Status
Reading	2008 8-hour Ozone	Reading, PA	Berks	**Marginal**
Allentown	2008 8-hour Ozone	Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, PA	Lehigh, Northampton	**Marginal**
	2006 24-Hour $PM_{2.5}$	Allentown, PA	Lehigh, Northampton	Maintenance
Harrisburg	2006 24-Hour $PM_{2.5}$	Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle-York, PA	Cumberland, Dauphin	Maintenance
	1997 8-hour Ozone	Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA	Cumberland, Dauphin, Perry	Orphan Maintenance
York	2006 24-Hour $PM_{2.5}$	Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle-York, PA	York	Maintenance
	1997 8-hour Ozone	York, PA	York	Orphan Maintenance
Lancaster	2008 8-hour Ozone	Lancaster, PA	Lancaster	**Marginal**
	2006 24-Hour $PM_{2.5}$	Lancaster, PA	Lancaster	Maintenance
Lebanon	2012 Annual $PM_{2.5}$	Lebanon County, PA	Lebanon	Maintenance
	2006 24-Hour $PM_{2.5}$	Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle-York, PA	Lebanon	Maintenance
	1997 8-hour Ozone	Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA	Lebanon	Orphan Maintenance
Cambria County	1997 8-hour Ozone	Johnstown, PA	Cambria	Orphan Maintenance
	2006 24-Hour $PM_{2.5}$	Johnstown, PA	Cambria	Maintenance
NEPA	2008 8-hour Ozone	Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, PA	Carbon	**Marginal**
	1997 8-hour Ozone	Scranton-Wilkes-Barre, PA	Monroe	Orphan Maintenance

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DVRPC	2015 8-hour Ozone	Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-MD-DE	Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, Philadelphia	**Serious**
	2012 Annual $PM_{2.5}$	Delaware County, PA	Delaware	Maintenance
	2008 8-hour Ozone	Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-MD-DE	Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, Philadelphia	**Marginal**
	2006 24-Hour $PM_{2.5}$	Philadelphia-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE	Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, Philadelphia	Maintenance
SPC	2012 Annual $PM_{2.5}$	Allegheny County, PA	Allegheny	**Moderate**
	2008 8-hour Ozone	Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Fayette, Washington, Westmoreland	**Marginal**
	2006 24-Hour $PM_{2.5}$	Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	Allegheny (P), Armstrong (P), Beaver, Butler, Greene (P), Lawrence (P), Washington, Westmoreland	Maintenance
	2006 24-Hour $PM_{2.5}$	Johnstown, PA	Indiana (P)	Maintenance
	2006 24-Hour $PM_{2.5}$	Liberty-Clairton, PA	Allegheny (P)	**Moderate**
	1997 8-hour Ozone	Clearfield and Indiana Cos, PA	Indiana	Orphan Maintenance
	1997 8-hour Ozone	Greene Co, PA	Greene	Orphan Maintenance

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Blair County	1997 8-hour Ozone	Altoona, PA	Blair	Orphan Maintenance
North Central	1997 8-hour Ozone	Clearfield and Indiana Cos, PA	Clearfield	Orphan Maintenance
Erie	1997 8-hour Ozone	Erie, PA	Erie	Orphan Maintenance
Franklin	1997 8-hour Ozone	Franklin Co, PA	Franklin	Orphan Maintenance
Scranton	1997 8-hour Ozone	Scranton-Wilkes-Barre, PA	Lackawanna, Luzerne	Orphan Maintenance
Northern Tier	1997 8-hour Ozone	Scranton-Wilkes-Barre, PA	Wyoming	Orphan Maintenance
	1997 8-hour Ozone	Tioga Co, PA	Tioga	Orphan Maintenance
Centre	1997 8-hour Ozone	State College, PA	Centre	Orphan Maintenance
Adams	1997 8-hour Ozone	York, PA	Adams	Orphan Maintenance
Shenango Valley	1997 8-hour Ozone	Youngstown-Warren-Sharon, OH-PA	Mercer	Orphan Maintenance

(P) = designates partial county areas that are included in the nonattainment/maintenance area