

## **Kentucky Division**

July 22, 2013

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In Reply Refer To: HPD-KY

Ms. Sherry McDavid
Executive Director
Ashland Area Metropolitan Planning Organization
c/o FIVCO Area Development District
32 FIVCO Court
Grayson, KY 41143

Dear Ms. McDavid:

The Kentucky Division Office of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Region 4 of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), in consultation Regions 4 of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), have reviewed the following documents:

2013-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) for the Ashland Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) (MPO approval documented in June 15, 2013 resolution)

The Kentucky Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet's Division for Air Quality, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Division of Planning, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Office of Transportation Delivery, and the Ashland Bus Service also had an opportunity to review and comment on the aforementioned documents.

We found that this document meets the five primary criteria of the Transportation Conformity Rule:

- use of the latest planning assumptions,
- use of the latest emissions model,
- use of appropriate consultation procedures,
- consistency with the mobile source emission budgets in the State Implementation Plan (SIP), and
- provisions for timely implementation of transportation control measures in the SIP.

We also found that these documents met the criteria outlined in the Transportation Conformity Rule Revision for  $PM_{2.5}$  Standards.

We therefore find that the aforementioned document conforms to the  $PM_{2.5}$  standards.

José M. Sepúlveda

Division Administrator

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c: Michelle Craig, KYOVA
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Scott Davis, EPA – R4
John Lyons, EPPC – DAQ
Michael Hancock, KYTC – Administration
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Keith Damron, KYTC – Planning



## Memorandum

Date: June 17, 2013

Subject: Letter of Support for Conformity

Determination

From: Jose Sepúlveda, Division Administrator

HDA-KY

Frankfort, KY

To: Laurie Leffler, Division Administrator

HDA-OH

Columbus, OH

The Kentucky Division Office of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in consultation with Region 4 of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), have reviewed the following document:

2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Cincinnati Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) (MPO approval documented on April 11, 2013 resolution)

The Kentucky Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet's Division for Air Quality, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Division of Planning, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Office of Transportation Delivery, and the Transit Authority of Northern Kentucky also had an opportunity to review and comment on the aforementioned document.

We found that these documents met the criteria outlined in the

- Transportation Conformity Rule
- Transportation Conformity Rule Revision for PM<sub>2.5</sub> and the
- Transportation Conformity Rule Revision for the 8-hour Ozone and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Standards

We find that the aforementioned document conforms to National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) as described and therefore support the Ohio Division of the Federal Highway Administration in making a positive conformity finding on the referenced documents for the 8-hr Ozone standard and the PM <sub>2.5</sub> Annual standard.

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## **Ohio Division**

July 1, 2013

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In Reply Refer To: HDA-OH

Jerry Wray Director Ohio Department of Transportation 1980 West Broad Street Columbus, OH 43223

Dear Director Wray:

We have completed our review of the conformity documentation for the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI) 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The conformity documentation includes analyses to demonstrate conformity for the applicable standards for the Cincinnati, Ohio area.

Based on our review, and in consultation with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), we find that the OKI 2014-2017 TIP, conforms to the applicable state implementation plan in accordance with the provisions of the EPA's Transportation Conformity Rule (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93).

In accordance with the June 2004, Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the FHWA-Ohio Division and the FTA-Region V, the FTA has concurred with this conformity determination. In accordance with the June 2004 MOA, FHWA's single signature constitutes FHWA and FTA's joint air quality conformity determination for the OKI 2014-2017 TIP.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Mr. Frank Burkett, Senior Planning Specialist, at (614) 280-6838 or <a href="mailto:frank.burkett@dot.gov">frank.burkett@dot.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Laura S. Leffler  $\bigvee$ 

Division Administrator

## 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program



**Indiana Division** 

May 6, 2013

575 N. Pennsylvania St, Room 254 Indianapolis, IN 46204 317-226-7475

> In Reply Refer To: HDA-IN

Mr. Troy Woodruff Deputy Commissioner 100 North Senate Avenue Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Mr. Woodruff:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our review of the documents necessary to make an air quality conformity finding on the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization's (EMPO) FY 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management, the Indiana Department of Transportation, and the US Environmental Protection Agency have completed their reviews and recommended that we find the FY 2013-2016 TIP for the Evansville Metropolitan planning area conforms to the applicable air quality conformity requirements. Appropriate consultation and public involvement on the conformity analyses was completed.

Therefore, FHWA and FTA find the EMPO the FY 2013-2016 TIP conform as required by the conformity rule. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Allen, Planning & Environmental Specialist, at 317-226-7344 or at michelle.allen@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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**Kentucky Division** 

September 12, 2013

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Mr. Jack Couch, Executive Director Louisville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization c/o Kentuckiana Regional Planning and Development Agency 11520 Commonwealth Drive Louisville, KY 40299

Dear Mr. Couch:

The Kentucky Division Office of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Region 4 of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), in consultation with the Indiana Division Office of the Federal Highway Administration and Regions 4 and 5 of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), have reviewed the following documents:

2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and
Amendment 8 to the 2030 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) for the
Louisville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
(MPO approval documented on July 25, 2013 resolution)

The Kentucky Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet's Division for Air Quality, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Division of Planning, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Office of Transportation Delivery, the Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District, and the Transit Authority of River City also had an opportunity to review and comment on the aforementioned documents.

We found that this document meets the five primary criteria of the Transportation Conformity Rule:

- use of the latest planning assumptions,
- use of the latest emissions model,
- use of appropriate consultation procedures,
- consistency with the mobile source emission budgets in the State Implementation Plan (SIP), and
- provisions for timely implementation of transportation control measures in the SIP.

We also found that these documents met the criteria outlined in the Transportation Conformity Rule Revision for the 1997 8-hour Ozone and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Standards and the Transportation Conformity Rule Revision for PM<sub>2.5</sub>.

We therefore find that the aforementioned document conforms to the 8-hour Ozone and  $PM_{2.5}$  standards.

For José M. Sepúlveda

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