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July 1, 2015

Jerry Wray  
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Dear Director Wray:


This is in response to your letter dated May 1, 2015 regarding requests for USDOT conformity determinations for each Ohio air quality area. We have completed our review of the conformity documentation to support the adoption of Resolution 2015-09 by the Ohio Kentucky Indiana (OKI) Regional Council of Governments. The conformity documentation includes analyses to demonstrate conformity for the 8-hour ozone and PM2.5 standards for the Cincinnati-Hamilton, Ohio area.

Based on our review, in consultation with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and through coordination with the Kentucky and Indiana Divisions of FHWA, we find that the OKI 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program and 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan conform to the applicable state implementation plan in accordance with the provisions of the EPA's Transportation Conformity Rule (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93).

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Andy Johns, Planning Specialist, at [andy.johns@dot.gov](mailto:andy.johns@dot.gov) or 614-680-6896.

Sincerely,

  
for Marisol R. Simon  
Regional Administrator  
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Laura S. Leffler  
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# CONFORMITY AND APPROVAL LETTERS



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Dear Mr. Nunnally:

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 FY 2016-2019 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 recommend that we find the amendments 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 FY 2016-2019 TIP conform as required by the conformity rule. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Michelle Allen of FHWA at (317) 226-7344 or Tony Greep of FTA at (312).353-1646.

Sincerely,

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Dear Director Wray:

This is in response to your letter dated May 1, 2015 regarding requests for USDOT conformity determinations for each Ohio air quality area. We have completed our review of the conformity documentation to support the adoption of Resolution #2015-028 by the KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission. The conformity documentation includes analyses to demonstrate conformity for the Fine Particulate Matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) standards for the KYOVA Air Quality area.

Based on our review, in consultation with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and through coordination between the Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia Divisions of FHWA, we find that the KYOVA Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2040 Plan 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).

If you have any questions, please contact Noel Mehlo, Jr, Planning Specialist, at [noel.mehlo@dot.gov](mailto:noel.mehlo@dot.gov) or (614) 280-6841.

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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:

**Amendment 4 to the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and  
Amendment 4 to the 2035 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) for the  
Louisville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)  
(MPO approval documented on August 27, 2015 resolution)**

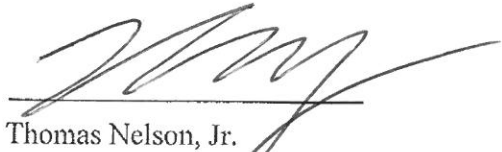
The Kentucky Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet's Division for Air Quality, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Division of Planning, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Office of Transportation Delivery, the Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District, and the Transit Authority of River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

We found that this amendment can rely on the regional emissions analysis that was used to support the most recent conformity determination made on April 1, 2015. It was further 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.

It was also found that these documents met the criteria outlined in the Transportation Conformity Rule Revisions for the PM<sub>2.5</sub> Standards.

**We therefore find that the aforementioned document conforms to the 1997 PM<sub>2.5</sub> annual standard.**



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