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Ms. Susan Hedman
Regional Administrator
U.S. EPA Region 5
77 W. Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604

Re: Withdrawal Request for Ohio's Attainment Demonstration SIP for the 1997 $PM_{2.5}$ National Ambient Air Quality Standard

Dear Administrator Hedman:

I am writing to officially withdraw the State of Ohio's attainment demonstration State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the 1997 PM2.5 national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS) submitted to U.S. EPA on July 16, 2008 and then revised on June 7, 2010. This SIP contained measures that provided for attainment by April 5, 2010 of the nine areas designated as nonattainment on April 5, 2005.

Since that time, Ohio EPA has attained the 1997 annual PM2.5 standard in all of these areas and has submitted redesignation requests and maintenance plans for each area. U.S. EPA has proposed approval of all of Ohio's requests and has taken final action on many of the requests. Therefore, approval of the attainment demonstration is no longer necessary.

If you have questions, please contact Jennifer Van Vlerah in our Division of Air Pollution Control at (614) 644-3696.

Sincerely,

Scott J. Nally
Director

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