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February 13, 2019

Mr. Mike Stoker Regional Administrator Region 9 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, California 94105

Dear Mr. Stoker:

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) is hereby forwarding two letters of commitment to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) from the South Coast Air Quality Management District (District). These commitments are to:

- 1. Adopt contingency measures for reasonable further progress (RFP) for the 75 part per billion (ppb) 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (standard), and
- 2. Adopt contingency measures for RFP, quantitative milestones report submittal, quantitative milestone implementation, and attainment for the  $35 \ \mu g/m^3 \ 24$ -hour PM2.5 and the  $12 \ \mu g/m^3 \ annual \ PM2.5 \ standards.$

With this submittal, the District is committing to adopt one or more of a specified list of rules that would include provisions to become effective in the event that U.S. EPA issues a final rulemaking necessitating implementation of a contingency measure. With this commitment, U.S. EPA could propose conditional approval of the District's 75 ppb 8-hour ozone,  $35 \ \mu g/m^3 24$ -hour PM2.5, and  $12 \ \mu g/m^3$  annual PM2.5 State Implementation Plans, contingent upon the submittal of adopted and/or revised rule(s) within one year of the effective date of the U.S. EPA final action. The District is also committing to transmit the adopted or amended rule(s) to CARB to allow submittal to U.S. EPA within 12 months of the effective date of the final conditional approval of the relevant District plan.

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If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Sylvia Vanderspek, Branch Chief, Air Quality Planning Branch, at (916) 324-7163 or by email at Sylvia.Vanderspek@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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