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Ms. Debra Shore
Regional Administrator
U.S. EPA, Region 5
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60604-3950

Re: Request for Withdrawal of the Attainment
Demonstration and Technical Support Document
and Request for Redesignation and Maintenance
Plan for Ozone Attainment of Indiana's Portion
(Lake and Porter Counties) of the former
Chicago-Naperville, IL-IN-WI, 2008 8-Hour
Ozone Moderate Nonattainment Area

Dear Ms. Shore:

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) is hereby withdrawing the Attainment Demonstration and Technical Support Document submitted to United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) for review and approval on February 28, 2017, and the Request for Redesignation and Maintenance Plan for Ozone Attainment submitted to U.S. EPA on February 27, 2020, for Indiana's Portion (Lake and Porter Counties) of the former Chicago-Naperville, Illinois-Indiana-Wisconsin (IL-IN-WI), 2008 8-Hour Ozone Moderate Nonattainment Area.

This letter is in response to U.S. EPA's re-classification of the nonattainment area to "serious" effective September 23, 2019. That final ruling was due to the fact that the area did not attain the 2008 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) by the moderate attainment deadline of July 20, 2018. As such, Indiana became subject to Clean Air Act (CAA) serious nonattainment area planning requirements and a revised attainment date of July 20, 2021.

On December 6, 2021, IDEM submitted a Request for Redesignation and Maintenance Plan for Indiana's Portion of the Chicago-Naperville, IL-IN-WI, 2008 8-Hour Ozone Serious Nonattainment Area. On May 20, 2022, U.S. EPA redesignated Lake and Porter counties to attainment under the 2008 8-hour ozone NAAQS.

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Therefore, IDEM withdraws the February 28, 2017, and February 27, 2020, state implementation plan submittals as Lake and Porter counties are no longer subject to CAA moderate nonattainment area planning requirements.

A copy of this request was sent to U.S. EPA Region 5 through the State Planning Electronic Collaboration System (SPeCS).

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Brian Callahan, Chief, Air Quality Standards and Implementation Section, Office of Air Quality at (317) 232-8244 or bcallaha@idem.IN.gov.

Sincerely,



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