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William O'Sullivan  
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Dear Mr. O'Sullivan,

On May 18, 2006, your agency submitted an early progress state implementation plan (SIP) for the New Jersey portion of the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT PM<sub>2.5</sub> nonattainment area. This State implementation plan revision included new 2009 motor vehicle emissions budgets which apply to the metropolitan planning organizations in the above nonattainment area, the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) and the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC).

The transportation conformity rule (40 CFR 93) requires that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) conduct a public process and make an affirmative decision on the adequacy of motor vehicle emissions budgets before they can be used by metropolitan planning organizations in transportation conformity determinations. This letter is to inform you that we have completed the required public comment period on the adequacy of the motor vehicle emissions budgets. In accordance with the procedures and criteria for determining adequacy as outlined in the transportation conformity rule (40 CFR 93.118(e)(4) and 40 CFR 93.118(f)), we are finding the new 2009 PM<sub>2.5</sub> motor vehicle emissions budgets for both direct PM<sub>2.5</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> for the New Jersey portion of the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT PM<sub>2.5</sub> nonattainment area adequate for transportation conformity purposes. These budgets are summarized below:

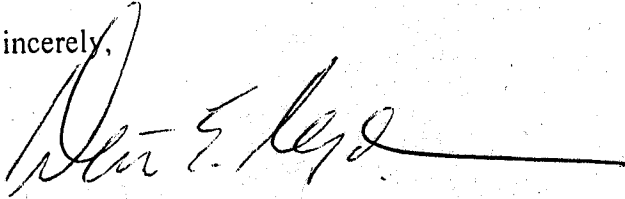
2009 Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets (Tons/year)

	Direct PM <sub>2.5</sub>	NO <sub>x</sub>
NJTPA	1,207	61,676
DVRPC	89	4,328

These motor vehicle emissions budgets will become effective for conformity determinations 15 days after EPA publishes an announcement of this adequacy determination in the Federal Register. We will be publishing the Federal Register notice announcing our adequacy finding in the near future.

If you have further question, please feel free to have your staff contact Matt Laurita, of my staff, at (212) 637-3895.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Walter E. Mugdan", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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