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Jared Snyder, Assistant Commissioner
 Office of Air Resources, Climate Change & Energy
 New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
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Dear Assistant Commissioner Snyder:

On November 29, 2021, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) submitted a state implementation plan (SIP) revision for the New York portion of the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT, 2008 8-hour ozone nonattainment area. This revision to the SIP included 2020 summer day volatile organic compounds (VOC) and nitrogen oxides (NOx) motor vehicle emissions budgets associated with the SIP’s reasonable further progress demonstration. These budgets apply to the metropolitan planning organization in the above nonattainment area, the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC).

The transportation conformity rule (40 C.F.R. part 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. We announced availability of the plan and related budgets on the EPA’s transportation conformity website on March 8, 2022 (<https://www.epa.gov/state-and-local-transportation/state-implementation-plans-sip-submissions-currently-under-epa#newyork-ny-nj-ct>), requesting comments by April 8, 2022. We received no comments in response to the adequacy review posting. These budgets are summarized below:

2020 8-Hour Ozone Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets (tons/day)

Nonattainment Area / (MPO)	NOx	VOC
New York portion of New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT / (NYMTC)	89.07	54.51

This letter is to inform you that we are finding the new 2020 motor vehicle emissions budgets for VOC and NOx contained in the 8-hour ozone SIP submission for the New York portion of the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT, 2008 8-hour ozone nonattainment area adequate for transportation conformity purposes. After reviewing the SIP, we have preliminarily determined that the submitted mobile vehicle emission budgets are consistent with the required rate of progress plan for this area.

The EPA continues to review the submitted SIP for approvability. Nothing in this adequacy finding should be construed as prejudging the eventual outcome of our on-going review of this SIP submittal. A copy of this letter will soon be posted online at <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/stateresources/transconf/adequacy.htm>. We will also announce the adequacy

finding in the Federal Register. These motor vehicle emissions budgets will become effective for conformity determinations 15 days after the Federal Register announcement.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Lily Black, of my staff at (212) 637-3884.

Sincerely,

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