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SUBJECT: Clarification on Michigan's July 10, 2014, "infrastructure" state implementation plan (SIP) to address the 2008 ozone, 2010 nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), 2010 sulfur dioxide (SO₂), and 2012 fine particle (PM_{2.5}) national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS).

Dear Mr. Czerniak:

This letter is in response to a request by your staff for clarification regarding the interstate transport provisions under section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I) addressed in Michigan's infrastructure SIP for the 2008 ozone, 2010 NO₂, 2010 SO₂, and 2012 PM_{2.5} NAAQS. Specifically, this section requires the SIP to contain adequate provisions that prohibit emissions activity within the state from emitting air pollutants in amounts that will contribute significantly to nonattainment, or interfere with maintenance, in any other state with respect to any NAAQS.

We would like to clarify that for the purposes of satisfying the interstate transport requirements under section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I), the provisions included in our July 10, 2014, submission are only intended to address the 2010 NO₂ NAAQS. In other words, the interstate transport provisions that are before the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for evaluation do not extend to the 2008 ozone, 2010 SO₂, or 2012 PM_{2.5} NAAQS.

Please let me know if you have any questions, or have your staff contact Ms. Mary Maupin, Air Quality Division at 517-284-6755 or at maupinm@michigan.gov.

Sincerely,

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cc: Ms. Mary Maupin, MDEQ