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Secretary

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Mr. Donald S. Welsh
Regional Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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Dear Mr. Welsh:

Enclosed for your approval is a revision to the Pennsylvania State Implementation Plan for the Philadelphia Carbon Monoxide Maintenance Area. This revision contains a maintenance plan that demonstrates the area will maintain the National Ambient Air Quality Standard for the 10-year period (2007-2017) after the expiration of the current plan in 2007. The plan also contains a transportation conformity budget for 2007 which, when approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), will supersede the budget established in the original maintenance plan because of the use of EPA's latest model, MOBILE6.

Since the maintenance area is wholly within the boundaries of Philadelphia County, the plan was prepared by the Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Air Management Services (AMS) in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). DEP has reviewed the plan and recommends its approval.

AMS opened a 30-day public comment period on this proposed revision on July 12, 2004, and held a public hearing on August 16, 2004. The comment period closed on August 16, 2004. No comments were received.

Should you have questions regarding this submission, please contact Nicholas A. DiPasquale, Deputy Secretary for Air, Recycling and Radiation Protection, by e-mail at ndipasqual@state.pa.us or by telephone at 717-772-2724, or Joyce E. Epps, Director, Bureau of Air Quality, by e-mail at jeepps@state.pa.us or by telephone at 717-787-9702.

Sincerely,

Kathleen A. McGinty
Secretary

