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Dear Mr. Irvine:

Thank you for the submittal of the 2015 Ozone moderate Reasonable Further Progress (RFP) plan for the for the Allegan County, the Berrien County, and the Muskegon County areas. This letter addresses our review of the adequacy of the motor vehicle emission budgets (budgets) included in the RFP plan.

Pursuant to Section 93.118(e)(4) of the Transportation Conformity Rule (40 CFR Part 93, Subpart A), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the RFP plan as well as the transportation conformity budgets contained in the submittal. The plan includes control measures and a demonstration of RFP for the 2015 ozone standard. The plan identifies MOVES3 based budgets for volatile organic compounds (VOC) and nitrogen oxides (NOx) for the 2023 milestone year that applies to moderate areas for RFP. We announced availability of the RFP plan and related budgets on the EPA's adequacy website on November 2, 2023, and requested public comment by December 4, 2023. We received no comments on the budgets related to RFP plan during that comment period.

We have found that the budgets in the RFP plan for the for the Allegan County, the Berrien County, and the Muskegon County moderate areas are adequate for transportation conformity purposes. As a result of our finding, these budgets must be used in future transportation conformity analyses once the finding becomes effective.

The 2023 VOC and NOx RFP budgets for the Allegan County, the Berrien County, and the Muskegon County ozone areas, listed in tons per day (tpd), are as follows:

Area	NOx (tpd)	VOCs (tpd)
Allegan County	1.15	0.70
Berrien County	2.98	1.85
Muskegon County	1.73	1.74

We will also announce the adequacy finding in the Federal Register. The finding will become effective 15 days after publication in the Federal Register pursuant to 40 CFR 93.118(f).

If you have any questions regarding this adequacy finding, please feel free to call me or Michael Leslie, of my staff, at (312) 353-6680.

Sincerely,

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