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Linsey J. Callaghan, Transportation Supervising Planner
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Dear Ms. Callaghan:

The Department of Environmental Management, Office of Air Resources (OAR), has completed a review of the Rhode Island Transportation Conformity Air Quality Analysis for the proposed 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Subsection 49.2.1(a) (2) of the Department's Air Pollution Control Regulation No. 49, entitled "Transportation Conformity" requires conformity determinations for adoption, acceptance, approval or support of TIPs and TIP amendments.

The March 2012 report and amendments dated July 2012 prepared by Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. provided an air quality conformity analysis for the air pollutants VOC and NOx.

The OAR has determined that the results of the analysis demonstrates that projected motor vehicle emissions are below Rhode Island's 2009 Motor Vehicle Emission Budgets for VOC and NOx for each year analyzed.

Additionally, the OAR has determined that the consultation procedures in subsection 49.3 of APC Regulation No. 49 were followed in the development of the TIP and the associated conformity determination.

Please keep either Frank Stevenson or Ronald Marcaccio of my staff informed of any plans to amend this TIP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Douglas McVay".

Douglas McVay, Acting Chief
Office of Air Resources
Department of Environmental Management

cc: F. Stevenson, DE
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