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Ms. Susan Hedman
Regional Administrator
U.S. EPA Region 5
77 W. Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604

Re: Withdrawal Request for Ohio's Attainment Demonstration SIP for the 2008 Lead National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Cuyahoga County

Dear Administrator Hedman:

I am writing to officially withdraw the State of Ohio's attainment demonstration State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the 2008 lead national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS) for Cuyahoga County partial nonattainment area. Ohio EPA submitted an attainment demonstration for the partial nonattainment area to U.S. EPA on June 25, 2012 and then revised the submittal on July 17, 2014.

On February 20, 2015 Ohio EPA submitted a clean data request to U.S. EPA for the Cuyahoga County partial nonattainment area. On May 26, 2015 (80 FR 29964) U.S. EPA approved Ohio EPA's clean data request with an effective date of July 27, 2015. Since the area has attained the 2008 lead standard before the attainment date of December 31, 2015; the need for U.S. EPA to approve Ohio's attainment demonstrations is no longer necessary and therefore we wish to withdrawal our request. As the next step, Ohio EPA will prepare a redesignation request and maintenance plan for U.S. EPA's review to formally redesignate the Cuyahoga County partial nonattainment area to attainment.

If you have questions, please contact Jennifer Van Vlerah in our Division of Air Pollution Control at (614) 644-3696.

Sincerely,

Craig W. Butler
Director

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