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Via Email

Subject: Transportation Conformity Review and Concurrence

Dear Edward Ofori:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the *Transportation Air Quality Conformity Report for the Houston-Galveston-Brazoria Region* and supporting documents for the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update and the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) developed by the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC). The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) is satisfied that all requirements are met, and transportation conformity is demonstrated.

The purpose of this conformity analysis was to determine if the H-GAC's 2045 RTP update and 2025-2028 TIP are consistent with transportation conformity emissions requirements for the Houston-Galveston-Brazoria 2008 and 2015 eight-hour ozone standard nonattainment areas. H-GAC performed nitrogen oxides (NO_x) and volatile organic compounds (VOC) motor vehicle emissions budget (MVEB) tests using the 2020 MVEBs—87.69 tons per day (tpd) NO_x and 57.70 tpd VOC—adopted as part of the *Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston-Galveston-Brazoria Serious Classification Reasonable Further Progress State Implementation Plan Revision for the 2008 Eight-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard* and found adequate for transportation conformity purposes by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency effective June 9, 2021 (86 FR 24717, May 10, 2001). H-GAC demonstrated that projected on-road mobile emissions in the 2023, 2026, 2030, 2040, and 2045 analysis years were lower than the NO_x and VOC MVEBs.

If you have questions about our review, please contact Sarah Thomas of my staff at 512-239-4939 or sarah.thomas@tceq.texas.gov.

Sincerely,

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