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Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Adequacy Status of Motor Vehicle Budgets in Submitted Eight-Hour Ozone Attainment Plan for the Phoenix-Mesa Nonattainment Area for Transportation Conformity Purposes; Arizona

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of adequacy.

SUMMARY: In this notice, EPA is notifying the public that the Agency has found that the motor vehicle emissions budgets in the submitted *Eight-Hour Ozone Plan for the Maricopa Nonattainment Area (June 2007)* ("2007 MAG Eight-Hour Ozone Plan") are adequate for transportation conformity purposes. The 2007 MAG Eight-Hour Ozone Plan was submitted to EPA on June 15, 2007 by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality as a revision to the Arizona state implementation plan. As a result of our finding, the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) and the Federal Highway Administration must use the motor vehicle emissions budgets from the submitted eight-hour ozone attainment plan for future conformity determinations.

DATES: This finding is effective November 9, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wienke Tax, U.S. EPA, Region IX, Air Division AIR-2, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901; (520) 622-1622 or tax.wienke@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Throughout this document, whenever "we," "us," or "our" is used, we mean EPA.

Today's notice is simply an announcement of a finding that we have already made. EPA Region IX sent a letter, dated October 4, 2007, to the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality on October 10, 2007 stating that the motor vehicle emissions budgets for volatile organic compounds (VOC) and oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) in the submitted 2007 MAG Eight-Hour Ozone Plan for 2008 are adequate. The budgets correspond to the Phoenix-Mesa 8-hour

ozone nonattainment area, which encompasses roughly half of Maricopa County, including the cities of Phoenix and Mesa, and also the Apache Junction area of Pinal County, in central Arizona. The finding is available at EPA's conformity Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/stateresources/transconf/adequacy.htm>. The adequate motor vehicle emissions budgets (calculated for a Thursday in 2008) are provided in the following table:

ADEQUATE MOTOR VEHICLE EMISSIONS BUDGETS
[In metric tons per day]

Budget year	VOC motor vehicle emissions budget	NO _x motor vehicle emissions budget
2008	67.9	138.2

Transportation conformity is required by Clean Air Act section 176(c). EPA's conformity rule requires that transportation plans, transportation improvement programs, and projects conform to state air quality implementation plans (SIPs) and establishes the criteria and procedures for determining whether or not they do. Conformity to a SIP means that transportation activities will not produce new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the national ambient air quality standards.

The criteria by which we determine whether a SIP's motor vehicle emission budgets are adequate for conformity purposes are outlined in 40 CFR 93.118(e)(4). The process for determining the adequacy of such budgets is set forth at 40 CFR 93.118(f). Please note that an adequacy review is separate from EPA's completeness review, and should not be used to prejudge EPA's ultimate approval action for the SIP. Even if we find a budget adequate, the SIP could later be disapproved.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

Dated: October 16, 2007.

Nancy Lindsay,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region IX.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Clean Water Act Section 303(d): Availability of 34 Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL) in Louisiana

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability for comment of the administrative record files for 34 TMDLs and the calculations for these TMDLs prepared by EPA Region 6 for waters listed in the Red, Sabine, and the Terrebonne Basins of Louisiana, under section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act (CWA). These TMDLs were completed in response to a court order in the lawsuit styled *Sierra Club, et al. v. Clifford, et al.*, No. 96-0527, (E.D. La.).

DATES: Comments must be submitted in writing to EPA on or before November 26, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the 34 TMDLs should be sent to Diane Smith, Environmental Protection Specialist, Water Quality Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 6, 1445 Ross Ave., Dallas, TX 75202-2733 or e-mail: smith.diane@epa.gov. For further information, contact Diane Smith at (214) 665-2145 or fax 214.665.7373. The administrative record files for the 34 TMDLs are available for public inspection at this address as well. Documents from the administrative record files may be viewed at <http://www.epa.gov/earth1r6/6wg/npdes/tmdl/index.htm>, or obtained by calling or writing Ms. Smith at the above address. Please contact Ms. Smith to schedule an inspection.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diane Smith at (214) 665-2145.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 1996, two Louisiana environmental groups, the Sierra Club and Louisiana Environmental Action Network (plaintiffs), filed a lawsuit in Federal Court against the EPA, styled *Sierra Club, et al. v. Clifford, et al.*, No. 96-0527, (E.D. La.). Among other claims, plaintiffs alleged that EPA failed to establish Louisiana TMDLs in a timely manner. EPA proposes 26 of these TMDLs pursuant to a consent decree entered in this lawsuit.

EPA Seeks Comment on 34 TMDLs

By this notice EPA is seeking comment on the following 34 TMDLs for waters located within Louisiana basins: