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Donna Huff, Director, MC 206
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Air Quality Division
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Austin, TX 78711-3087

Subject: Oklahoma request to analyze sources for reasonable progress under the Regional Haze Rule

Dear Ms. Huff:

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is in the process of developing a state implementation plan covering the period of 2021 – 2028 under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Regional Haze Rule, specifically requirements set forth in 40 C.F.R. § 51.308(f). As part of the requirements under this rule, DEQ must develop a long-term strategy for making reasonable progress at Oklahoma’s Class I area, the Wichita Mountains Wilderness Area. 40 C.F.R. § 51.308(f)(2), 40 C.F.R. § 81.424.

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 51.308(f)(2)(ii):

*The State must consult with those States that have emissions that are reasonably anticipated to contribute to visibility impairment in the mandatory Class I Federal area to develop coordinated emission management strategies containing the emission reductions necessary to make reasonable progress.*

In its source evaluation, DEQ identified 14 sources with SO₂ emissions and 4 sources with NOx emissions located in Texas that are reasonably anticipated to contribute to visibility impairment at the Wichita Mountains Wilderness Area. DEQ requests that Texas consider the following sources for further analysis:

SO₂
- Martin Lake Electric Station
- WA Parish Electric Station
Oklahoma is requesting that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality continue in consultation with DEQ regarding its Regional Haze long-term strategy, and specifically any resulting analyses or measures at the above-listed sources. Should you have any questions about this request, please contact Cooper Garbe at 405-702-4169 or Melanie Foster at 405-702-4218.

Sincerely,

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