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## OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

MARY FALLIN Governor

November 21, 2018

Laura Bunte, Mail Code C304-01 U.S. EPA, OAQPS 109 TW Alexander Drive Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

RE: 2018 Ozone Advance Program Update for the Tulsa Metropolitan Statistical Area

Dear Ms. Bunte:

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Air Quality Division, in collaboration with the Indian Nations Council of Governments (INCOG) is pleased to formally submit the Tulsa Metropolitan area 2018 update to our Ozone Advance program. This is a "living" document and will continue to be updated as programs are added or evolve. The Tulsa Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) has participated in EPA's Ozone Advance program since October 30, 2012 and comprises Creek, Okmulgee, Osage, Pawnee, Rogers, Tulsa, and Wagoner counties. The enclosed document describes Ozone Advance initiatives and ongoing programs, and provides status updates to many of the programs listed in the 2017 submittal, along with several new programs.

The ground-level ozone reduction programs include voluntary and mandatory measures, as allowed in the EPA Ozone Advance Guidance Document. This mix of programs will allow for more expeditious implementation and provide flexibility for program stakeholders.

The EPA designated each of the counties in the Tulsa MSA as attainment/nonclassifiable in November 2017 for the 2015 ozone standard. It is our conclusion that participation in the Ozone Advance program has had a positive impact on ozone levels.

We look forward to continued participation in the Ozone Advance program. If you have any questions after review of this update, please contact Nancy O'Brien or Melanie Foster at 405-702-4100.

Sincerely,

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**Enclosures** 

