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Reply Refer to: HPP-TX

Mr. Michael W. Behrens, P.E. Executive Director Texas Department of Transportation 125 E. 11th Street Austin, TX 78701

Dear Mr. Behrens:

We have determined that the North Central Texas Council of Governments 2025 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amended April 2005 (MTP), FY 2004-2006 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and supporting documentation meet all requirements for making a joint conformity determination to the eight-hour ozone standard under the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. This MTP and TIP conformity determination and the procedures used to make this determination are in accordance with the provisions of the transportation conformity rule (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93).

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) acts as executive agent for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) on MTP and TIP air quality conformity determinations. Accordingly, this letter will serve as the joint FHWA/FTA conformity determination. Please provide copies of this joint FHWA/FTA conformity determination to the North Central Texas Council of Governments, Dallas Area Rapid Transit, Denton County Transportation Authority, the Fort Worth Transportation Authority, and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

Please note that this action ends a one-day transportation conformity lapse. This action also restarts the three-year metropolitan transportation plan update cycle and three-year transportation conformity update cycle. If you have any questions regarding this action please contact Ms. Rebecca Dennison at (512) 536-5975.

Sincerely yours,

Division Administrator

cc: Peggy Crist, FTA-Region 6 Peggy Wade, EPA-Region 6