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Reply to
Attn Of: OAWT-107

Mr. Mike Ragan, Air Monitoring Coordinator
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Re: Discontinuation of CO Monitoring at the 'Atlas and Cox' Site in Vancouver, WA

Dear Mr. Ragan:

In a letter dated March 20, 2006, Bob Elliott of the Southwest Clean Air Agency (SWCAA), requested that EPA allow SWCAA to discontinue monitoring for CO at the 'Atlas and Cox' site (AIRS #530110010) in Vancouver, WA. Data collected at this site shows that the Vancouver area has been in compliance with the CO NAAQS every year since 1992, and Vancouver was redesignated to attainment in 1996 by EPA. CO design values for this site have been declining over the last ten years, and the current 8-hour CO design value of 4.9 ppm is about 54% of the 8-hour CO NAAQS (9.0 ppm). In addition, the 2005 Metropolitan Transportation Plan for Clark County shows decreasing winter CO mobile source emissions estimates for Clark County through 2019.

Because Vancouver has not violated the CO NAAQS since redesignation in 1996, the current CO design value is 54% of the NAAQS, and it is projected that CO emission estimates will continue to decrease through 2019, I concur that CO monitoring can be discontinued at the Atlas and Cox site in Vancouver. If you have any questions on this topic, please contact Gina Bonifacino at (206) 553-2970.

Sincerely,

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