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Via Electronic Mail and U.S. Certified Mail

Re: Petition for Action Pursuant to the Clean Air Act and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act Regarding Deficiencies in the Texas Air Permitting Program Related to Environmental Justice and Public Participation

Dear Administrator Regan, Dr. Nance, and Ms. Dorka,

Enclosed is a Petition and Executive Summary submitted on behalf of Port Arthur Community Action Network, San Antonio Bay Estuarine Waterkeeper, Diane Wilson, Familias Unidas del Chamizal, Shrimpers and Fishermen of the RGV, Citizens Alliance for Fairness and Progress, West Dallas 1, Texas Environmental Justice Advocacy Services (t.e.j.a.s.), Air Alliance Houston, Texas Campaign for the Environment, Environmental Integrity Project, Sierra Club Lone Star Chapter, and Sierra Club (collectively, "Petitioners").

Petitioners request that EPA initiate a Title VI Compliance Review and issue a State Implementation Plan (SIP) Call to require Texas to correct the systemic environmental justice and public participation deficiencies in its air permitting programs.

Given the long-standing nature and seriousness of the deficiencies raised, including harms to frontline environmental justice communities, Petitioners request that EPA expedite resolution of this matter. We look forward to your response.

Respectfully,

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