

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IX

75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105

December 6, 2016

Mr. Eric Stevenson Director of Technical Services Bay Area Air Quality Management District 375 Beale Street San Francisco, California 94105

Dear Mr. Stevenson:

Thank you for your September 29, 2016 submission of your analysis of the suitability of the Martinez SO<sub>2</sub> State or Local Air Monitoring Station (SLAMS) to fulfill the monitoring requirement of the SO<sub>2</sub> Data Requirements Rule, as well as the October 5, 2016 submission of the Interoffice Memorandum describing the modeling protocol and source parameter data used in the analysis. The analysis was made available for public comment between September 29, 2016 and October 31, 2016. In your 2015 Air Monitoring Network Plan, submitted June 27, 2016, you described your intent to perform this analysis and submit it to EPA. We approved your network plan on October 31, 2016, and included a comment in Enclosure C, checklist item 63, stating that "...BAAQMD and EPA are currently evaluating whether existing SO<sub>2</sub> monitoring is adequate to meet the requirements of DRR."

On December 5, 2016 your staff communicated to us via email that no comments on the analysis were received. Based on the information we received from your agency, we approve the current location of the Martinez SO<sub>2</sub> SLAMS to satisfy monitoring requirements under the SO<sub>2</sub> Data Requirements Rule.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact me at (415) 947-4134 or Anna Mebust at (415) 972-3265.

Sincerely,

Gwen Yoshimura, Acting Manager

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