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Mr. Trey Glenn  
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Re: Air Program Pre-Hearing Submittal: Proposed Revision to Florida's State  
Implementation Plan – Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for the  
Hillsborough County Lead Nonattainment Area

Dear Mr. Glenn:

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. 51.102, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) is submitting a pre-hearing SIP package to revise Florida's State Implementation Plan (SIP) under the federal Clean Air Act (CAA).

On October 15, 2008, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) promulgated a revised NAAQS for lead (Pb) (2008 Lead NAAQS). 73 Fed. Reg. 66,964. On November 22, 2010 (effective December 31, 2010), EPA designated a small area in Hillsborough County "nonattainment" for lead based on monitoring data in the area showing one or more violations of the revised standard over three-year period 2007 through 2009. 75 Fed. Reg. 71,033. The designated nonattainment area is described as follows:

*Tampa, FL: Hillsborough County (part) Area is located within a 1.5 km radius centered at UTM coordinates 364104 meters E, 3093830 meters N, Zone 17, which surrounds the Envirofocus Technologies facility.*

78 Fed. Reg. 71,041. The Hillsborough County nonattainment area is centered on a 55-year old lead recycling facility that was purchased by Envirofocus Technologies, LLC (Envirofocus) in 2006. In 2009, Envirofocus received an air construction permit from the Department authorizing the facility to undergo a complete reconstruction and modernization, implementing a variety of top level controls associated with lead

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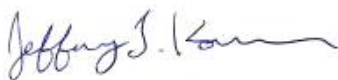
recycling including a negative-pressure total enclosure of all process areas.<sup>1</sup> This permit formed the basis of the Department's attainment demonstration for the area submitted to EPA as Florida Nonattainment Area (NAA) SIP on June 29, 2012. The Department subsequently updated the permit in December 2012 to reflect the "as-built" reconstructed facility, and the NAA SIP was amended on June 27, 2013.<sup>2</sup> EPA fully approved Florida's NAA SIP on April 16, 2015 (effective May 18, 2015). 80 Fed. Reg. 20,441. In 2014, Envirofocus completed construction on the upgraded facility, marking the full implementation of the NAA SIP. The reduced emissions from the Envirofocus facility resulted in the nonattainment monitor coming into attainment for the 2014-2016 period.

Florida hereby provides EPA with the pre-hearing SIP package requesting redesignation of this area to attainment and approval of an associated Maintenance SIP that is designed to ensure the continued attainment of the 2008 Lead NAAQS in the area around the Envirofocus facility in Hillsborough County.

The Department has sent the complete pre-hearing SIP submittal package (hard copy and electronic copy) directly to the Air Planning Branch. The electronic copy is in a searchable format and is an exact duplicate of the hard copy. On February 7, 2018, the Department published in the Florida Administrative Register a notice of opportunity to submit comments regarding this proposed SIP revision, request a public hearing, or participate in a public hearing on March 13, 2018, if requested.

The Department respectfully requests that EPA provide any comments on this submittal by March 9, 2017. If you have any questions, please contact Hastings Read at (850) 717-9017 or by email at [Hastings.Read@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:Hastings.Read@dep.state.fl.us).

Sincerely,



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Division of Air Resource Management

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cc (with Pre-Hearing SIP package): R. Scott Davis, Chief, Air Planning Branch, EPA Region 4

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<sup>1</sup> See Air Construction Permit 0570057-020-AC issued by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection on September 22, 2009.

<sup>2</sup> See Air Construction Permit 0570057-027-AC issued by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection on December 14, 2012.