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Merlyn Hough, Director

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RE: Proposed Amendments to LRAPA Rules Regarding Cleaner Air Oregon

Dear Mr. Hough:

DEQ has reviewed the proposed amendments to the LRAPA rules regarding Cleaner Air Oregon that were received Dec.18, 2018. We find the proposed rules to be at least as stringent as the comparable rules previously developed and adopted by DEQ.

We hereby authorize LRAPA to act as Hearings Officer on behalf of the Environmental Quality Commission for public comment on these rule amendments, including the proposal to amend OAR 340-200-0040 to incorporate relevant portions of these rule amendments as modifications to Oregon’s State Implementation Plan. If you have any questions, please call Jill Inahara at 503-229-5001 or Emil Hnidey at 503-229-5946.

Sincerely,

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