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Jared Blumenfeld
Regional Administrator
OAR-1, USEPA Region IX
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

RE: SUBMITTAL OF NEVADA'S REGIONAL HAZE 5-YEAR PROGRESS REPORT

Dear Mr. Blumenfeld:

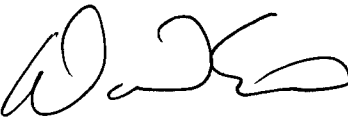
On behalf of Governor Sandoval, as his appointed designee, this letter transmits to you one hard copy and one exact duplicate of the hard copy in electronic format of the *Nevada Regional Haze 5-Year Progress Report* (Progress Report). Additionally, the Progress Report may be viewed on the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection's (NDEP) website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/baqp/index.htm>. The Progress Report is submitted pursuant to 40 CFR 51 section 308, "Regional haze program requirements." Under the authority in Nevada Revised Statutes 445B.205 and Nevada Administrative Code 445B.053, the Administrator of the NDEP has the authority to adopt and submit state implementation plans to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) (see Appendix D, section 1.4). The NDEP requests approval of the Progress Report into the applicable Nevada state implementation plan (SIP).

The Progress Report satisfies the requirements for 5-year progress reports found in 40 CFR § 51.308(g), (h) and (i). Evidence of compliance with the consultation and public review processes required for the Progress Report is presented in Appendix C, *Federal Land Management Agency Comments and Nevada's Responses* and Appendix D, *Evidence of Public Participation; Public Comments and Nevada's Responses*. Copies of all formal comments on the Progress Report received by the NDEP and the NDEP's response to those comments appear in Appendices C and D.

We would like to point out that the Progress Report is based on data and analyses that existed as of March 1, 2014. The enclosed Progress Report describes the status of implementing committed control measures, summaries and analyses of emissions and monitoring changes, and assessments of impacts on Class I areas identified in Nevada's original regional haze SIP. The NDEP concludes that Nevada's 2009 regional haze SIP is being implemented appropriately; reasonable progress towards the 2018 visibility conditions goal for mandatory Class I areas impacted by sources in Nevada is being achieved; and no additional control measures are needed at this time. The NDEP urges USEPA to provide timely review and approval of Nevada's Progress Report taking into account the significant progress toward meeting the national visibility goals that Nevada's Progress Report demonstrates.

If you should have any questions about this submittal or require additional clarification, you may contact Jasmine Mehta, Chief, Bureau of Air Quality Planning at (775) 687-9495.

Sincerely,


for Colleen Cripps, Ph.D.
Administrator

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