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LSASD Project Number: 20-0329

Ms. Talgo:

We have reviewed the following document you submitted for approval:

**Quality Assurance Project Plan for Ambient Air Quality Monitoring of Criteria Air Pollutants, Revision 1, July 29, 2020.**

The quality assurance and technical elements within this quality assurance project plan (QAPP) were compared to EPA regulations and current guidance. The stated procedures appear to be clear, sound, and appropriate as written, to the extent they can be evaluated. EPA approval of this document is granted. Please be aware that approval of this QAPP does not constitute a waiver from any regulatory requirements. Your agency remains accountable for ensuring that this criteria pollutant monitoring project adheres to all the applicable requirements detailed in the 40 CFR Parts 50, 53, and 58, and that the data generated is of sufficient quality to be used for regulatory decision-making purposes. This QAPP should be reviewed internally by KCDAQM on an annual basis and revised when procedures change; at a minimum, the QAPP must be revised within five years.

Enclosed is the signature page of the QAPP which has been signed to indicate Region 4 approval. If you have any questions about these comments, please contact Adam Zachary at 706-355-8657 or via email at [zachary.adam@epa.gov](mailto:zachary.adam@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

Laura Ackerman, Chief  
Quality Assurance Section