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RE: 2021 Annual Report – Georgia’s Enhanced I/M Program

Dear Mr. Rinck,

In accordance with 40 CFR Part 51 - Subpart S Inspection/Maintenance Program Requirements 51.366 - Data Analysis and Reporting Requirements and our Performance Partnership Agreement, we are submitting the 2021 Annual Report for Georgia’s Enhanced Inspection and Maintenance (I/M) Program. The report, prepared by the state contractor for Georgia’s Clean Air Force (GCAF) and reviewed by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division, covers I/M Program operations from January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021. By copy of this letter, we are emailing the electronic copy of the report and sending one CD containing the electronic report to Dale Aspy of your staff.

In addition to this report, Georgia EPD wishes to acknowledge a shutdown of the vehicle emissions program between March 30 and April 8, 2021, due to a ransomware attack with our management contractor. During this time, temporarily waived the emissions inspection requirement for any vehicle that was registered or for which a registration was renewed. EPD could not obtain data to determine the number of vehicles that received registrations without a vehicle emission test, but based on historical data, we estimate that approximately 70,000 vehicles received registrations without a vehicle emissions test.

If you have any questions or need additional information concerning this report, please contact Michael Odom of my staff at (470) 524-0535 or Michael.Odom@dnr.ga.gov.

Sincerely,

Karen Hays
Chief
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cc: Dale Aspy, EPA Region 4, with report
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