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RE: Prehearing Notice for Georgia's Regional Haze State Implementation Plan for the Second Planning Period

Dear Ms. Benjamin:

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) is proposing a revision to Georgia's State Implementation Plan (SIP) to include a plan, consistent with sections 169A and 169B of the Clean Air Act and the subsequent implementing regulations contained in 40 CFR 51.308, to address regional haze. The SIP revision represents commitments and actions taken by Georgia EPD to address the requirements of these regulations during the second implementation period, which includes the years 2019 to 2028, towards the goal of attaining natural visibility conditions in designated Class I areas. The proposed revision will be the subject of a public hearing on July 25, 2022, with the public comment period ending July 26, 2022.

Pursuant to 40 CFR 51.308(f), Georgia's regional haze plan includes the following elements:

- Calculations of baseline, current, and natural visibility conditions; progress to date; and the uniform rate of progress for each Class I area;
- Documentation of the technical analysis on which Georgia EPD is relying to determine reasonable progress, including modeling, emissions, and data analysis;
- Source-specific reasonable progress four-factor analyses and documentation of the source selection process;
- Long-term strategy for regional haze resulting from the reasonable progress analyses;
- Reasonable progress goals;
- A progress report addressing the requirements of 40 CFR 51.308(g)(1) through (5);
- Monitoring strategy and other implementation plan requirements; and
- Documentation of consultation with other states, EPA, and Federal Land Managers (FLMs).

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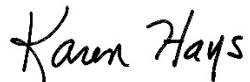
The SIP narrative includes proposed permit conditions for certain emissions units at Georgia Power – Plant Bowen, International Paper – Savannah Mill, and Brunswick Cellulose. The final permits will be submitted as a supplemental SIP revision after the final regional haze SIP is submitted to EPA.

This submission is the proposed plan for EPA’s review and comment during the public comment period. The final plan will be submitted after consideration of any public comments.

The prehearing submittal is being submitted via EPA’s State Planning Electronic Collaboration System (SPeCS). This submittal includes the public notice and the SIP revision in its entirety with the exception of the Appendices due to size limitations in SPeCS. Instead, the Appendices will be delivered in CD form by U.S. Postal Service. Paper copies of these large data files are not provided in order to relieve unnecessary paper burden.

Should you have any comments on this proposed SIP revision, please submit them to us within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Hays". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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Enclosures

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