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Dear Mr. Brymer:

Thank you for your recent April 22, 2016, letter requesting removal of ExxonMobil Refining and Supply Company's Baytown Refinery in Harris County from the list of sulfur dioxide (SO_2) emission sources in Texas, as directed by the 2010 SO_2 National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) Data Requirements Rule (DRR). The list identifies state SO_2 emission sources for further evaluation and air quality characterization.

Previously, on January 15, 2016, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality submitted a list of SO_2 DRR sources that included the Baytown Refinery due to its reported annual 2,204 tons per year (tpy) of SO_2 emissions in 2014. After reviewing the most recent SO_2 annual emissions data available for 2015, the TCEQ confirmed that Baytown Refinery will fall below the 2,000 tpy SO_2 threshold, and that 1,452 tpy SO_2 emissions will be the facility's 2015 emission inventory value. The TCEQ also reviewed emission data, in consultation with the facility, and confirmed that SO_2 emissions are expected to remain below 2,000 tpy.

Considering this newly submitted emissions analysis, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency concurs with the TCEQ to remove the Baytown Refinery from the source list subject to the requirements of the DRR for air quality characterization.

Thank you for your letter and for your efforts to implement this important standard. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me, or have your staff contact Guy Donaldson of my staff at 214-665-7242, or Donaldson.Guy@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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