

**SECTION VI**

**CONTROL STRATEGY**

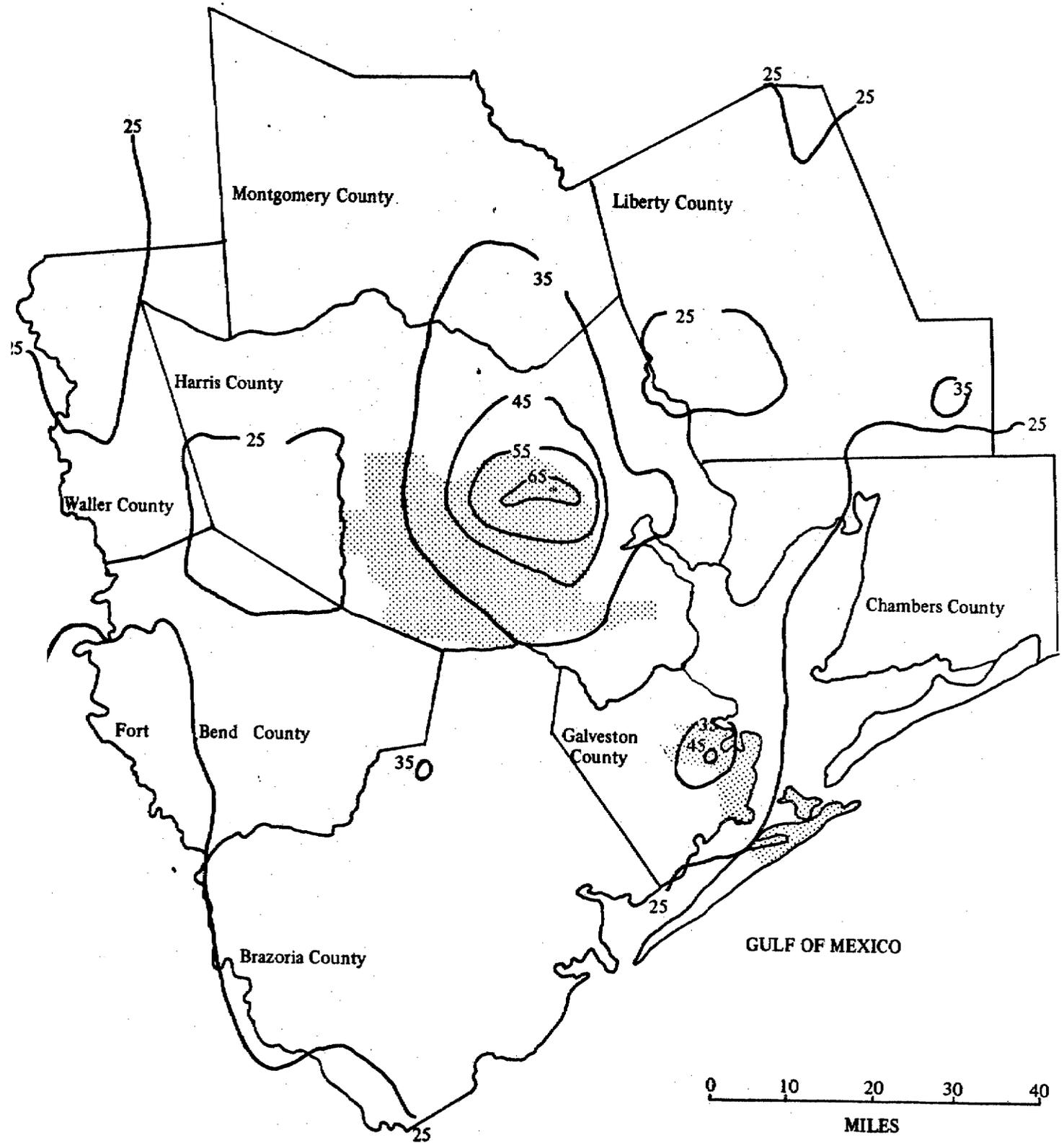
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### A. Particulates (Example Region)

1. The control strategy is based upon applying Regulation I (Section XIV) to existing point sources (and area sources where applicable) by use of the Air Quality Display Model (AQDM) referenced in Paragraph 51.13(e)(3)(i), Federal Register 36, Volume No. 228 dated November 25, 1971. This was accomplished by Radian Corporation under contract to the Texas Air Control Board. Inventory data input on a county by county basis and emissions resulting from application of Regulation I are contained in Appendix A of the Implementation Plan dated January 28, 1972.
2. The isopleths produced (Figure 1) by the AQDM indicate an existing particulate concentration of  $92 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  annual geometric mean (AGM). Through a contractor error the original AQDM printout was on an annual arithmetic mean (AAM) rather than the required AGM. Figures 1 and 2 have been corrected to an AGM. The controlled isopleths (Figure 2) reflect a  $55 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  air quality. All sources are programmed to be in compliance by December, 1973 (see Compliance Schedule, Section VII) thus giving some lead time to reach the selected air quality standard by 1975. A background concentration of  $25 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  was utilized. Matagorda County air quality was selected as representative of background as it contains only minor sources of man produced particulates.
3. To determine if the standard could be maintained a study was conducted to ascertain the growth of particulate sources in the Example Region (Lace Engineering study available in Austin office). The study shows an annual anticipated increase of 5.3% in particulate sources. Each of these sources will require permits to construct and operate (The Permit System, Section X). The permit system will require proven "state of the art" control of conservatively 95%. A net annual increase therefore of 0.265% will result. It is estimated that the air quality by 1977 will be  $55.74 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ .

#### COMPUTATIONS:

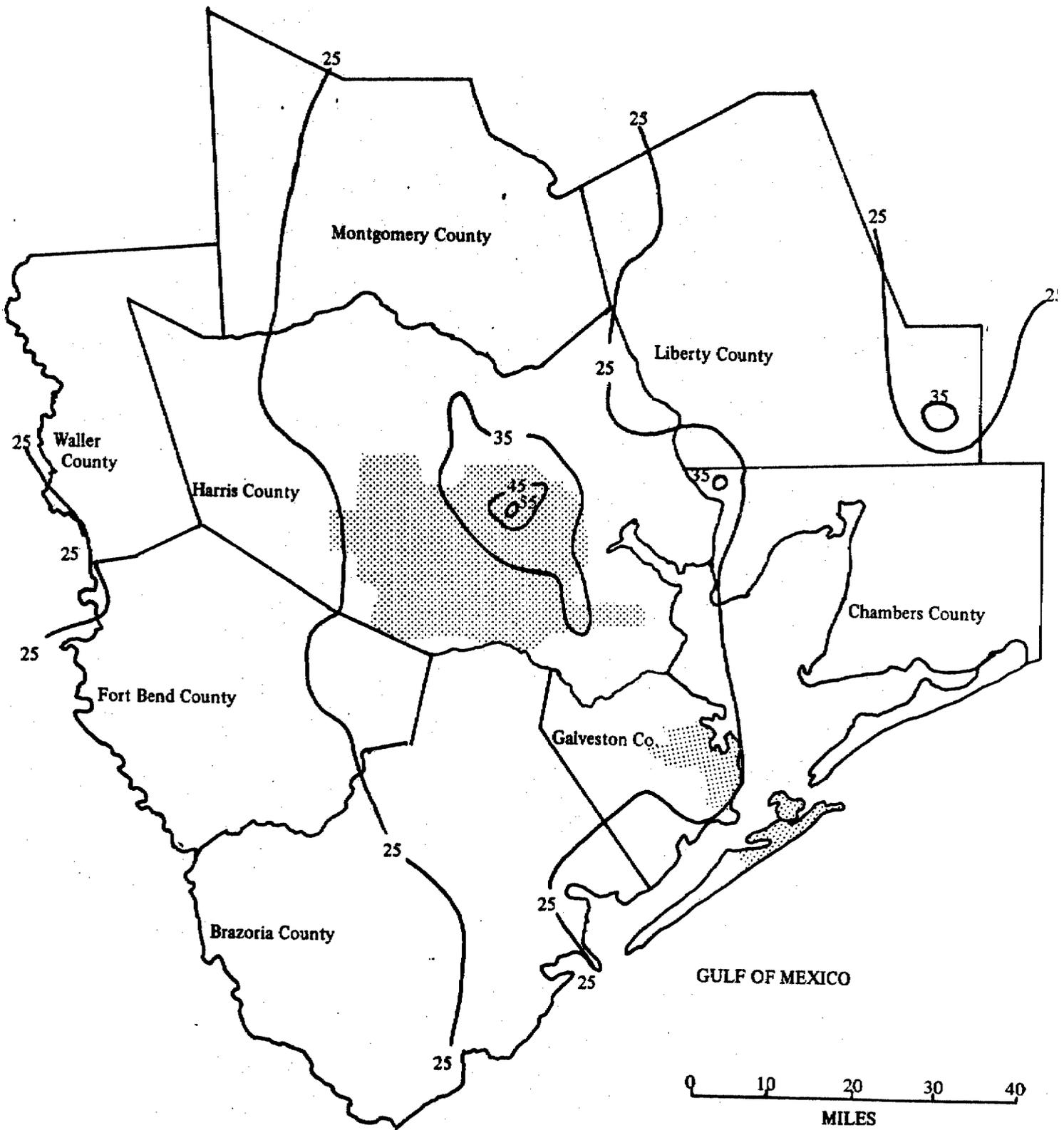
5 years growth at 0.265%/year	=	1.325%
AQ at end of 1973	=	$55 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$
X	=	AQ by 1975
X = $55/1.0000 - 0.01325$	=	$55.74 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$



AQDM PARTICULATE CONCENTRATION - EXISTING ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  AGM)

EXAMPLE REGION

\* Because of space limitations isopleths of concentrations greater than 65  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  were omitted in Central Houston. Maximum concentration was 92  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ .



AQDM PARTICULATE CONCENTRATION – CONTROLLED ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  AGM)

EXAMPLE REGION

FIGURE TWO  
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B. Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) - Example Region

1. Air quality for Region 7 was estimated to be by 70 µg/m<sup>3</sup> using the Miller-Holzworth model (Appendix A, Federal Register 228) and existing inventory data (Appendix A, 1969 Data). Detailed computations are available for review in the Austin office. Attainment of an air quality standard of 60 µg/m<sup>3</sup> (National Secondary) was considered feasible. A reduction of 14.3% in inventory emissions is necessary to meet the standard  $\frac{70-60}{70} \cdot 100 = 14.3\%$
2. Regulation II was applied to the major sources (62) (of these the first 20 account for 99.73% of the total emissions, 1969 data) with a resultant reduction of 55,700 tons per year (TPY). Table I contains inventory details. Total inventory emissions (point and area, Appendix A of 1969 data) show a total SO<sub>2</sub> emission of 176318 TPY. Therefore, the control results in 31.5% reduction indicating the adequacy of the regulation to attain the National Secondary AQS of 60 µg/m<sup>3</sup> AAM. (The compliance date for Regulation II for all sources is December, 1973. This will provide some lead time for an attainment date of 1975). Air quality attained is estimated to be 48 µg/m<sup>3</sup>.
3. The Lace Engineering study referred to under paragraph A.3 above predicted a 7.4% annual growth in SO<sub>2</sub> sources. The sources will be controlled to "state of the art" by application of the Permit System (Section X). Controls imposed are estimated to be 95% effective resulting in a net increase in emissions for new sources of 0.37% annually. The estimated air quality by 1977 will be 49.0 µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

COMPUTATIONS:

5 years growth at 0.37%/year	=	1.85%
AQ at end of 1973	=	48 µg/m <sup>3</sup>
X	=	AQ 1975
X - 48/1.000 - 0.0185	=	49.0 µg/m <sup>3</sup>

4. Following a detailed analysis of the final compilation of the emissions inventory data it was considered appropriate to develop a separate strategy for Region 11. The atmospheric load of SO<sub>2</sub> is slightly greater than that of the Example Region. Further, the source category is sufficiently different from those in Region 7 that an alternate strategy could be developed to provide a more comprehensive plan.
  - a. The National Secondary Standard of 1300 µg/m<sup>3</sup> (3 hour average) was used as the basis for strategy development as most of the available hard data was readily convertible to the three hour standard.

- b. A  $1900 \mu\text{g}/\text{M}^3$  3 hour average (0.9 ppm-1 hour converted to  $\mu\text{g}/\text{M}^3$  - 3 hour) was selected as the highest representative concentration of the existing air quality. A 31.3% reduction is required to attain the selected standard ( $\frac{1900-1300}{1900} = .315$ ).
- c. The emissions inventory indicates that 98% of the  $\text{SO}_2$  is from a single source although emitted from several stacks. A sulphuric acid plant scheduled for completion by December 1972 will reduce the affected stack emissions by 57%. Since the copper stack emissions (the stack of concern) account for 75% of the total there will be an overall reduction of 43%. This is adequate to attain the selected AQS.

**NOTE:** The Following is provided as additional information to the above strategy:

American Smelting and Refining Company at El Paso, Texas utilizes a method of curtailment of emissions involving a prediction of possible violation supplemented by hard data acquisition from 18  $\text{SO}_2$  monitoring sites at various points and at varying distances from the smelter. The entire system is computerized. Curtailment actions are initiated when the integrated system predicts a probable excursion in excess of the 0.5 parts per million  $\text{SO}_2$  hourly emission limit established in the variance granted to the company by the Texas Air Control Board.

The prediction technique is based upon meteorological information from various sources. Wind and temperature sensors are located throughout the plant area. By utilizing information furnished by the National Weather Service, facsimile maps, weather maps and other data from Albuquerque and El Paso International Airport, ASARCO meteorologists can determine inversion breakup temperature and time, along with wind and other meteorological conditions. Once the temperature, wind speed, and wind direction is forecast, clearing time (which is the time it takes for a reference release of a specific amount of  $\text{SO}_2$  at the stack to clear the area) can be calculated. Converters, normally the major source of emissions at the plant, are curtailed first. Breakup time minus clearing time equals curtailment time. Full curtailment does not normally occur everyday. Since the forecasting technique is not 100% reliable, it is supplemented by the hard data telemetered to a central console. The central console is manned full time (24 hours a day) by a meteorologist. When the meteorologist on duty determines that a potential for violation exists and that curtailment action must be taken, he activates an alarm to the converter department. The supervisor in charge of that department takes immediate action to shut down the converters. There is no lag time between the initiation of the abatement program and the shutdown of the converters. All supervisory personnel have been directed to react immediately

to decisions of the console operator. Once curtailment action has been effected, the plant can return to normal operation only after the person who determined that the units must curtail decides that they come back on line.

## C. Set II Parameters

### 1. Carbon Monoxide (CO)

- a. The final results of the summer study (Jul - Sep) for CO revealed that Region 11 (El Paso) must be classified Priority I as the 8 hour maximum was 17.4 mg/M<sup>3</sup> (Priority I cut off is 14 mg/M<sup>3</sup> 8 hour maximum).
- b. A reduction of 42% in total emissions is necessary to meet the national standard of 10 mg/M<sup>3</sup>  $(\frac{17.4 - 10}{17.4} \times 100 = 42)$ .

Federal controls on motor vehicles will reduce the overall atmospheric burden by 16.3% by 1975. Application of the CO provision of Regulation V will control the remaining emission to an 85% level. An overall reduction by 1975 of 43.8% is anticipated. The calculated air quality in 1975 is 9.8 m/M<sup>3</sup>. These data are summarized in Table 2.

- c. The vehicle inspection system discussed elsewhere in this Plan and the Permit System (Section X) will enable the State to maintain the air quality once attained, although the precise quantitative contribution of each system to such maintenance can not be calculated at this time.

### 2. Photochemical Oxidants and Reactive Carbon Compounds

The results of a revision of the Texas Control Strategy for Oxidant/Hydrocarbon reductions are summarized in Table Three. The study evaluated the reductions in hydrocarbon (carbon compound) emissions that will be realized (as a result of compliance with Regulation IV, V and VI) in the seven Texas Air Control Regions now classified Priority I.

The data tabulated in Table Three indicates that the required reductions are achieved in the ten counties of concern within the seven Priority I Regions and, as a result, the reductions required to achieve ambient air quality standards are obtained by 1975 in all seven Regions. The data tabulated in Appendix C indicate that the standards will not be maintained in Region 7 and Region 10 after 1985. Therefore, additional industrial growth after 1985 will not be permitted if the projected trends in growth are realized. This will be facilitated through the implementation of Regulation VI.

The required reduction was determined from the second high measured ozone value in each case. A reactive carbon compound control strategy is employed and an oxidant non-methane hydrocarbon relationship was formulated using the publication Air Quality Criteria for Nitrogen Oxides (AP-84) as the basis. Although the set of data in the report AP-84 is used, it is most likely too severe because of the different meteorological conditions existing along the Gulf Coast as compared with the cities studied in the Report.

Compliance with Regulation IV, V and VI which apply to motor vehicles, volatile carbon compound emissions from point sources, and emissions from permit units, respectively, result in the high reductions required to achieve the standard. Regulation VI results in an emission of 0.43 gms/mile of hydrocarbons for the 1975 model as compared with 12.6 gms/mile for the pre-controlled 1967 model, a reduction of 97%. Most of the point sources along the Gulf Coast are within refineries and chemical plants. Compliance with Regulation V results in a reduction of 91% for the years 1975 through 1977 for the refineries, while chemical plant reductions are 79% and 86% for these years because of the different compliance dates in revised Regulation V. New and modified sources require construction permits and must employ the latest control technology; therefore, emissions associated with industrial growth will be at least 90% less than emissions that would result from uncontrolled industrial expansion.

Growth factors for automobiles were taken from the Texas Highway Department's projections for vehicle miles traveled. Growth rates for all other sources were taken from the Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas report.

A county by county model was employed rather than a Regional Model. The carbon compound emission inventory in the base year and projections for the counties and the Regions are reflected in Appendix C.

Other supporting data and details of the calculations procedures employed are documented and available in a report available from the Texas Air Control Board, entitled Hydrocarbon Control Strategies.

### 3. Oxides of Nitrogen

The Federal Register Volume 38, Number 110, dated June 8, 1973 revised the priority classification from I to III for Regions 5, 7 and 8. In accordance with this revision there is no control strategy required for oxides of nitrogen since all regions meet the national Secondary Standards for nitrogen dioxide.

TABLE ONE

LISTING OF REGION 7 POINT SOURCES DECENDING ORDER  
WITHIN COUNTY

## SLUPHUR DIOXIDE

	<u>Rank</u>	<u>I. D. Number</u>	<u>(Tons/Yr.) Sulphur Dioxide</u>	<u>Allowable SO<sub>2</sub> Emissions From Regulations Tons/Yr.</u>
Brazoria Co.	10	PHI 086	4421	1853
	12	DOW 004	1654	1654
	16	MON 056	404	375
	20	DOW 002	236	76
	24	STA 238	40	
	51	HUM 030	0.5	
	52	PAN 036	<u>0.4</u>	<u>          </u>
		TOTAL	6755.9	3958
Chambers Co.	43	WAR 042	<u>1</u>	
		TOTAL	1	
Ft. Bend Co.	28	PP 004	20	
	42	JEF 012	<u>1</u>	
		TOTAL	21	
Galveston Co.	1	AME 130	37967	21649
	6	UNI 028	12384	5843
	13	AMO 002	1140	770
	15	MAR 002	492	492

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Galveston Co. Con't.	17	GUL 010	380	380
	19	TEX 176	336	336
	21	BOR 004	122	
	23	MON 052	50	
	26	PP 005	26	
	34	MIN 008	<u>3</u>	<u>          </u>
		TOTAL	52900	29470
Harris Co.	2	HUM 032	36007	22324
	3	STA 230	16520	14827
	4	DU 002	15141	7665
	5	SHE 032	14598	11580
	7	STA 232	10783	8936
	8	PEN 020	6530	4613
	9	SHE 020	6460	6460
	11	ATL 018	2523	3001
	18	HUB 038	376	376
	22	HNG 022	75	
	25	MER 034	28	
	27	ANH 002	20	
	29	PP 006	13	
	32	WAN 006	7	

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rris Co. Con't.	33	ROH 002	7	
	37	PP 002	3	
	39	USI 008	2	
	41	CRO 066	2	
	45	ELE 034	1	
	46	HOU 116	1	
	47	GUL 078	1	
	49	TEN 012	0.6	
	50	GUL 040	0.6	
	53	PP 001	0.4	
	54	UNC 002	0.3	
	55	UNI 180	0.2	
	57	UNI 012	0.2	
	58	HOU 124	0.1	
	59	RIV 020	0.1	
	60	PP 003	0.04	
	62	PEP 002	<u>0.02</u>	
		TOTAL	109100.56	<u>79782</u>
erty Co.	35	LIB 010	3	
	38	WIL 096	3	

	<u>Rank</u>	<u>I. D. Number</u>	<u>(Tons/Yr.) Sulphur Dioxide</u>	<u>Allowable SO<sub>2</sub> Emissions From Regulations Tons/Y</u>
Liberty Co. Con't.	44	TEX 290	1	
	48	WIL 072	<u>0.7</u>	
		TOTAL	7.7	
Montgomery Co.	14	COL 112	604	503
	30	GRO 008	10	
	31	BRA 002	8	
	36	GRI 016	3	
	40	SUP 034	2	
	56	WIL 150	0.2	
	61	CUR 006	<u>0.03</u>	
		TOTAL	627.23	<u>503</u>

Of the sixty-two companies listed above, the companies ranked 1 - 20 account for 99.73% of the total emissions in Region 7.

EMISSIONS: Point = 169413.39                      Area = 6905

TOTAL 176318 TPY

Allowable Point Source (Regulation II) = 113713

Overall Control (%) =  $\frac{176318 - (113713 + 6905)}{176318} \cdot (100) = 31.5$

CONTROL STRATEGY  
CARBON MONOXIDE

REGION	8 hr. max. July-Sept. Study mg/M <sup>3</sup>	Reduction to attain 10 mg/M <sup>3</sup> %	F*	** Overall reduction Federal Controls % 1971-75	Reg. V Control Reduction % 1971-75	Total reduction %	Estimated Air Quality 1975 mg/M <sup>3</sup>
El Paso Region II	17.4	42.0	.675	16.3	27.5	43.8	9.8

\* Ratio of vehicle emissions total

\*\* Calculated in accordance with Appendix I FR 158

PRESENT HYDROCARBON AND PROJECTED REDUCTIONS BY PRIORITY I REGIONS

COUNTY	MEASURED AMBIENT OZONE LEVEL <sub>3</sub> µg/m <sup>3</sup> (PPM)	% HC REDUCTION TO ATTAIN NATIONAL STANDARD <sub>3</sub> OF 160 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL HC FROM GASOLINE VEHICLES			REDUCTIONS BY 1975/1977				TOTAL REDUCTION
			1971	1975	1977	FROM FEDERAL CONTROLS ON GASOLINE VEHICLES	STATIONARY SOURCE CONTROLS	OTHER TRANSPORTATION	FROM STATIONARY SOURCE CONTROLS	
TRAVIS	218 (.109)	18	71.0	65.9	59.9	27.0 / 39.0	3.7 / 4.8	2.5 / 3.6	33 / 46	
NUECES	368 (.184)	62	7.8	18.7	16.3	3.4 / 4.7	71.5 / 74.4	1.6 / 2.1	77 / 81	
HARRIS	630 (.315)	75 *	13.1	34.8	32.3	3.9 / 6.4	70.0 / 72.6	-0.1 / 0.2	74 # / 79	
GALVESTON	440 (.220)	64 *	5.0	17.9	16.7	1.4 / 2.3	78.8 / 82.0	0.0 / 0.0	80 / 84	
BRAZORIA	530 (.265)	70 *	16.1	37.2	35.6	5.3 / 8.1	65.8 / 69.8	-0.1 / -0.3	71 / 78	
DALLAS	250 (.125)	24	69.5	65.9	63.0	23.0 / 34.3	7.1 / 7.5	-0.8 / 2.3	29 / 44	
BEXAR	290 (.145)	40	64.4	62.4	55.7	25.4 / 36.3	8.9 / 9.1	3.2 / 4.2	40** / 50	
JEFFERSON	682 (.341)	77 *	3.0	10.5	9.2	1.1 / 1.7	80.8 / 84.0	0.0 / 0.0	82 / 86	
ORANGE	430 (.215)	63 *	12.0	25.7	24.2	4.4 / 6.7	66.1 / 71.5	0.0 / 0.0	71 / 78	
EL PASO	240 (.120)	25	52.8	63.5	56.9	18.3 / 27.1	25.8 / 25.5	1.7 / 2.2	46 / 55	

\* Straight percentage rollback

\*\*Includes 2% reduction from traffic flow improvements

\*\*\*This calculated reduction results from single measurement values of oxidant level

# 74% reduction obtained is equivalent to 75% reduction required within the accuracy of the data