Redesignation Substitutes (RS): Houston-Galveston-Brazoria (HGB) Area RS for the One-Hour and 1997 Eight-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS)

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) submitted to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) RS reports for the one-hour and 1997 eight-hour ozone NAAQS for the HGB area. The TCEQ followed the RS report submittals with the adoption of formal SIP revisions should incorporation of the redesignation substitutes into the SIP be necessary.

Summary of the RS Reports

HGB One-Hour RS Report
Submittal Date: 07/22/2014
EPA Action: Approved on 10/20/2015 (80 FR 63429)

HGB 1997 Eight-Hour RS Report
Submittal Date: 08/18/2015
EPA Action: Approved on 11/08/2016 (81 FR 78691)

Background and Key Elements:
The HGB area monitored attainment of the one-hour ozone NAAQS based on certified 2011 through 2013 data and the 1997 eight-hour ozone NAAQS based on certified 2012 through 2014 data. Although the one-hour and the 1997 eight-hour ozone standards were revoked, the HGB area remained subject to the anti-backsliding requirements in 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §51.905(a) for these standards.

The HGB One-Hour Ozone RS Report and the HGB 1997 Eight-Hour Ozone RS Report were submitted separately to the EPA to fulfill the EPA’s requirements to lift anti-backsliding obligations for the revoked one-hour and the revoked 1997 eight-hour ozone standards by ensuring that specific redesignation requirements are met for the HGB area ozone nonattainment areas. The HGB RS reports were submitted to the EPA as provided in the EPA’s Implementation of the 2008 National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone: State Implementation Plan Requirements; Final Rule (2008 ozone standard SIP requirements rule, 80 FR 12264) instead of a redesignation request and maintenance plan, which the Federal Clean Air Act (FCAA) requires to remove anti-backsliding obligations under a standard that has not been revoked.

According to the EPA’s 2008 ozone standard SIP requirements rule, the HGB One-Hour Ozone RS Report and the 1997 Eight-Hour Ozone RS Report were based on FCAA, §107(d)(3)(E) redesignation criteria with the exception of certain elements including contingency measures and the commitment to submit a second 10-year maintenance plan. Consistent with the EPA’s 2008 ozone standard SIP requirements rule, the HGB RS reports included the following elements:
• Monitoring data showing attainment of the revoked one-hour and 1997 eight-hour ozone NAAQS;
• Showing that attainment was due to permanent and enforceable emissions reductions; and
• Demonstration that the areas can maintain the standards over 10 years via emissions inventory trends and future emission projections.

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Summary of the RS SIP Revisions

HGB One-Hour Ozone RS SIP Revision
Adoption Date: 07/01/2015
Proposal Date: 11/19/2014
Status: Adopted by the Commission

HGB 1997 Eight-Hour Ozone RS SIP Revision
Adoption Date: 04/27/2016
Proposal Date: 09/23/2015
Status: Adopted by the Commission

Background and Key Elements:
On July 1, 2015, the commission adopted the HGB Redesignation Substitute SIP Revision for the One-Hour Ozone NAAQS (Non-Rule Project No. 2014-011-SIP-NR), and on April 27, 2016, the commission adopted the HGB Area Redesignation Substitute SIP Revision for the 1997 Eight-Hour Ozone NAAQS (Non-Rule Project No. 2015-001-SIP-NR). Although the EPA’s 2008 ozone standard SIP requirements rule indicated that public notice and comment are not required, the commission adopted SIP revisions should submittals to the EPA become necessary. The SIP revisions formally document the anti-backsliding obligations for the revoked one-hour and the revoked 1997 eight-hour ozone standards and contain the same key elements as included in the reports previously submitted to the EPA.
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HGB 1997 Eight-Hour Ozone RS SIP Revision

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