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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Air Quality Division
Implementation Grants Section, MC-204
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087
ATTN: VW Settlement

Dear Chairman Niermann:

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's (TCEQ) Draft Beneficiary Mitigation Plan for Texas in regards to the Volkswagen State Environmental Trust.

As you are aware, Bexar County is now in (marginal) nonattainment of the 2015 Ozone Standards and must meet the standard within three years to avoid additional regulations. Our community is hard at work to develop and implement the most efficient and effective plan to improve the quality of our air.

It is my preference that the Volkswagen State Environmental Trust Fund money allocated for Bexar County is used to replace school buses for Bexar County school districts. A large-scale action such as this would enhance ongoing efforts to reduce emissions and reduce public health hazards for children and the community-at-large. With the added benefit of helping our already financially struggling education system, this should also be done with no local matching requirements.

Additionally, I am in support of the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) as the third-party administrator of the mitigation funds. AACOG has been the lead agency on air quality monitoring and non-attainment issues for the last two decades, representing Bexar County, the City of San Antonio, and the surrounding 12 counties.

I look forward to working with you further to reduce air pollution and am appreciative of the opportunity to share my thoughts and support of Bexar County receiving valuable dollars to improve the lives of its citizens.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin A. Wolff", written over a white background.

Kevin A. Wolff
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Chair, Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization