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SIP Revision: Carbon Monoxide (CO), El Paso (ELP), September 13, 1995

On September 13, 1995, the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) adopted a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision to fulfill the requirements contained in Section 179B of the Federal Clean Air Act (FCAA) for El Paso.

Summary of the SIP Revision

Adoption Date: 09/13/1995

EPA Approval Date: 07/02/2003 (68 FR 39457²)

Background: The 1990 FCAA Amendments required CO National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) nonattainment areas to submit an attainment demonstration (AD). However, because ELP's CO design value was 12.6 parts per million (ppm) at the time of the amendments' passage, Texas was not required to submit a CO AD for the area. Areas that had CO design values of over 12.7 ppm were required to submit these ADs. However, based on the requirements contained in §179B of the FCAA for areas influenced by emissions emanating from outside the United States, the TNRCC conducted dispersion modeling to demonstrate that ELP would be in attainment of the CO NAAQS by December 31, 1995, based on U.S. emissions alone. This AD was prepared in order to avoid the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reclassifying ELP from a moderate CO nonattainment area to a serious CO nonattainment area. This SIP revision also included an emissions inventory (EI) analysis and revised rules detailing compliance measures, training, and public information components of the area's oxygenated fuels program, as well as a CO motor vehicle emissions budget (MVEB) for transportation conformity determinations.

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