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SIP Revision: Inspection and Maintenance (I/M) Program, Dallas-Fort Worth, Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, El Paso, Austin-Round Rock, February 12, 2014

On February 12, 2014, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) adopted a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision to revise the I/M Program.

Summary of the SIP Revision

Adoption Date: 02/12/2014 **Proposal Date:** 09/24/2013

EPA Approval Date: 10/07/2016 (81 FR 69679)

Background and Key Changes: On February 12, 2014, the commission adopted revisions to 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 114, Control of Air Pollution from Motor Vehicles, and to the Texas I/M SIP implementing portions of House Bill (HB) 2305 , 83rd Texas Legislature, 2013. The rule and SIP revisions replaced the Texas dual inspection and registration sticker system with a single registration insignia sticker system and modified the method used to collect the state's portion of the vehicle safety and emissions inspection fee.

The adopted rule and SIP revisions:

- eliminated the use of the safety and emissions inspection windshield sticker;
- required vehicle owners to demonstrate compliance with the I/M program by providing a
 current valid vehicle inspection report; displaying a current valid vehicle registration sticker on
 the vehicle; or presenting another form of proof authorized by the Texas Department of Public
 Safety (DPS);
- replaced the TCEQ as the entity providing information on compliant vehicles to the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and require the DPS to fill this role;
- repealed the requirement for inspection stations to remit the state's portion of the safety and emissions inspection fee to the DPS;
- reduced the maximum safety and emissions inspection fee, which inspection stations are allowed to collect from vehicle owners, by the amount of the state's portion of the inspection fee that will now be collected by the DMV or county tax assessor at the time of vehicle registration; and
- replaced the references to 37 TAC §23.93 in Chapter 114 with references to 37 TAC Chapter 23, because 37 TAC §23.93 was repealed by the DPS on March 13, 2013.

SIP Narrative and Appendices

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Texas State Implementation Plan

I/M SIP Revision (Non-Rule Project No. 2013-041-SIP-NR)

Adopted I/M Program SIP Revision

Associated Rules

The commission adopted the following rule revision to 30 TAC 114.

Rule Project No. 2013-035-114-AI, Chapter 114 I/M Rule Revision