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Dear Mr. LaLone:

This is in response to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's March 21, 2022, State Planning Electronic Collaboration System (SPeCS) State Implementation Plan (SIP) submittal. New York submitted a SIP revision to incorporate the adoption of Title 6 of the New York Codes, Rules, and Regulations (NYCRR) Part 203, "Oil and Natural Gas Sector," with attendant revisions to 6 NYCRR Part 200 "General Provisions," to meet the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) 2016 Oil and Natural Gas control techniques guidelines (CTG). I appreciate the cooperative way your staff kept the EPA involved in the various stages of its development.

We have evaluated the March 21, 2022, SIP revision submittal against the SIP completeness criteria found in Title 40, Part 51, Appendix V of the Code of Federal Regulations and have determined that the submittal is administratively complete. This completeness determination stops the 18-month sanctions clocks that were started for New York's obligation to address reasonably available control technology (RACT) for this CTG for the 2008 ozone Standard as described in the Finding of Failure to Submit published in the Federal Register on November 16, 2020 and for the 2015 ozone Standard as described in the Finding of Failure to Submit published in the Federal Register on December 16, 2021.

I look forward to continuing efforts to attain the ozone NAAQS in New York. If you or your staff have any questions regarding the EPA's review of this SIP revision, please contact me at (212) 637-4014 or Omar Hammad of the Air Programs Branch at (212) 637-3347.

Sincerely,

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