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COUNTY JUDGE
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The Honorable Robert E. Hebert
Fort Bend County Judge
301 Jackson Street
Richmond, Texas 77469

Re: Fiscal Year 2017 Low Income Vehicle Repair Assistance, Retrofit, and Accelerated Vehicle Retirement Program County Funding

Dear Judge Hebert:

Thank you for the continuing partnership between Fort Bend County and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) in implementing the Low Income Vehicle Repair Assistance, Retrofit, and Accelerated Vehicle Retirement Program (LIRAP). The LIRAP includes both the Drive a Clean Machine (DACM) program and the Local Initiative Projects (LIP).

For fiscal year 2017, Fort Bend County has been allocated \$1,456,648 for the DACM program and \$161,707 for the LIP program. The allocations are based on the county's contribution to the program's funding from the fees collected in the county and the amount appropriated by the legislature. Not more than 10% of the amount allocated for the DACM program, i.e., \$145,665, may be used for administration of the program. The DACM funds will be sent to participating counties after receiving the required request for funds (see attached example). The LIP funding will be distributed after counties submit and receive approval for clean air projects. Distribution of funds will occur after September 1, 2016 when the TCEQ has received the appropriation.

If your county is not interested in participating this fiscal year, please submit a letter to the TCEQ relinquishing your FY 2017 funding by September 15, 2016. Relinquished funds may be allocated to other participating counties.

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Please have your county's grant official contact Mr. Jarred Shaffer, Mobile Source Programs Team, at (512) 239-6904 or by e-mail at jarred.shaffer@tceq.texas.gov if you are unsure of whether the electronic transfer account information that the TCEQ has for your county is accurate.

Thank you for your continued support and efforts in improving air quality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris R. Brown". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Morris R. Brown, Team Leader
Mobile Source Programs Team

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Attachment

cc: Donna F. Huff, Section Manager, Air Quality Planning