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August 19, 2019

Ms Tracy Horst
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Environmental Protection Services
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RE: Permit by Rule for the Pocola Travel Plaza Located on Choctaw Nation

Dear Ms. Horst:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has received the information pertaining to the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) for the proposed **Pocola Travel Plaza** gasoline dispensing facility on Choctaw tribal lands, as submitted by your 07/22/2019 e-mail. In accordance with 40 CFR § 49.156 (f)(6)(iii), EPA has reviewed the information, including the approval letter from the Choctaw Tribal Historic Protection Officer. This letter confirms that the facility has satisfactorily completed the procedures to address the screening process for ESA and NHPA. EPA will post this information on our website at: <https://www.epa.gov/caa-permitting/caa-permitting-epas-south-central-region>.

Please send the Notification of Coverage (NOC) for the permit by rule for the gasoline dispensing facility (PBR-GDF). Upon receipt, EPA will add the NOC to our website as a final agency action for the Pocola Travel Plaza. At that time, construction may start. The source must comply with all the construction, operations, and notifications requirements of 40 CFR § 49.164. *Construction under the PBR-GDF will be invalid if construction is not commenced within 18 months after the date of EPA posting the NOC.* As required in the regulations, please notify EPA when construction commences.

Please note that EPA's final action (i.e., posting of the NOC) is subject to appeal by public citizens with regard to the use of the PBR for the facility; appeals must be made within 60 days of EPA posting the NOC. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Bonnie Braganza of my staff at Braganza.bonnie@epa.gov

Sincerely,

8/19/2019

X Cynthia J. Kaleri

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