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**Subject:** El Paso, TX Section 818 CO Demonstration

A conference call was held on October 19, 1993 to discuss the draft protocol prepared by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for the Section 818 CO modeling demonstration. Participants in the conference call were Tom Diggs, Quong Nguyen, and Pat Cupp from Region VI; Ned Meyer, Tom Braverman, and Dean Wilson from SRAB; and John Silvasi from the O3COPB. The TNRCC protocol proposes to use the RAM model for nonstagnant conditions and an undefined procedure using monitored data for low wind speed situations. The stagnation situation is what leads to high CO concentrations in El Paso, TX. Since no approach was defined for stagnation situations, SRAB indicated that the approach was not technically sound. Furthermore, SRAB indicated that the Urban Airshed Model would be the recommended approach since it can handle stagnation situations and has performed well in several western areas. The following 4 options were presented by SRAB to Region VI: (1) we could respond to their letter now with the above concerns, (2) we could wait to receive more details regarding the procedure using monitored data for low wind speed situations before responding, (3) the UAM model could be used for the demonstration, and (4) we could return the letter to Region VI and they could do what they want. Region VI agreed to discuss the above 4 options and let us know what they decide within the next week or two.

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