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Williamson County Commissioner's Court  
County Courthouse  
710 Main St  
Georgetown, TX 78626

Attention: Mr. Gary D. Boyd, Environmental Project Manager  
Subject: Proposal to Prepare Report Regarding the New 8-Hour Ozone Air Quality Standard and the Attainment Status of Williamson County

Dear Mr. Boyd:

GDS Associates, Inc. is pleased to submit this proposal for professional services to the Williamson County Commissioner's Court. This proposal addresses the scope, schedule, and estimated fees for providing the County with a report that supports the recent recommendation by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to not designate Williamson County as being in non-attainment with the new 8-hour ozone air quality standard.

#### **Section A: Proposed Work Scope and Schedule**

Barring any unforeseen requirements and based on representations that the County will provide about two-thirds of the maps and data required to develop this report, the following four elements constitute the work scope under this professional engagement:

1. Work with county staff to gather appropriate information (e.g., maps and supporting data) to support the writing of a report in support of the TCEQ decision to not include Williamson County in an 8-hour ozone non-attainment area.
2. Draft report due to Williamson County Staff by close of business on February 16, 2009 for review by Commissioners on February 17.
3. Incorporate and address Commissioner's Court (and staff) comments, additions, or corrections by February 24 with final report presented to Commissioner's Court on March 3, 2009.
4. Brief Williamson County Commissioner's Court on the finished report.

#### **Section B: Estimated Fees**

Based on representations that the County will provide about two-thirds of the maps and data required to develop this report, GDS estimates the costs for accomplishing this work scope at \$15,000. Allowing for contingencies to cover unforeseen circumstances, GDS will perform this work scope for a total of fees and expenses not to exceed \$20,000. Expenses will be recovered at cost and the prevailing IRS mileage rate.

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service to the citizens of Williamson County.

Respectfully submitted,