

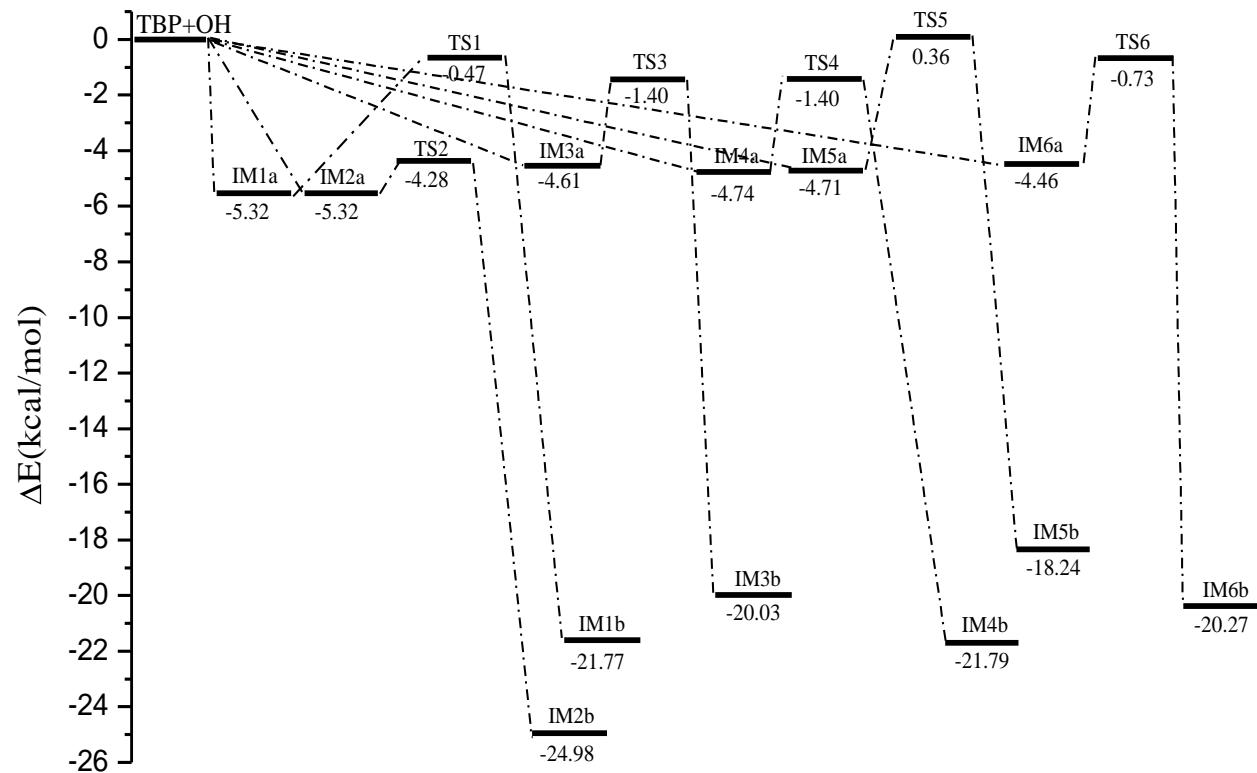
**Supplementary material**

**The atmospheric chemical reaction of 4-*tert*-butylphenol initiated by OH radicals**

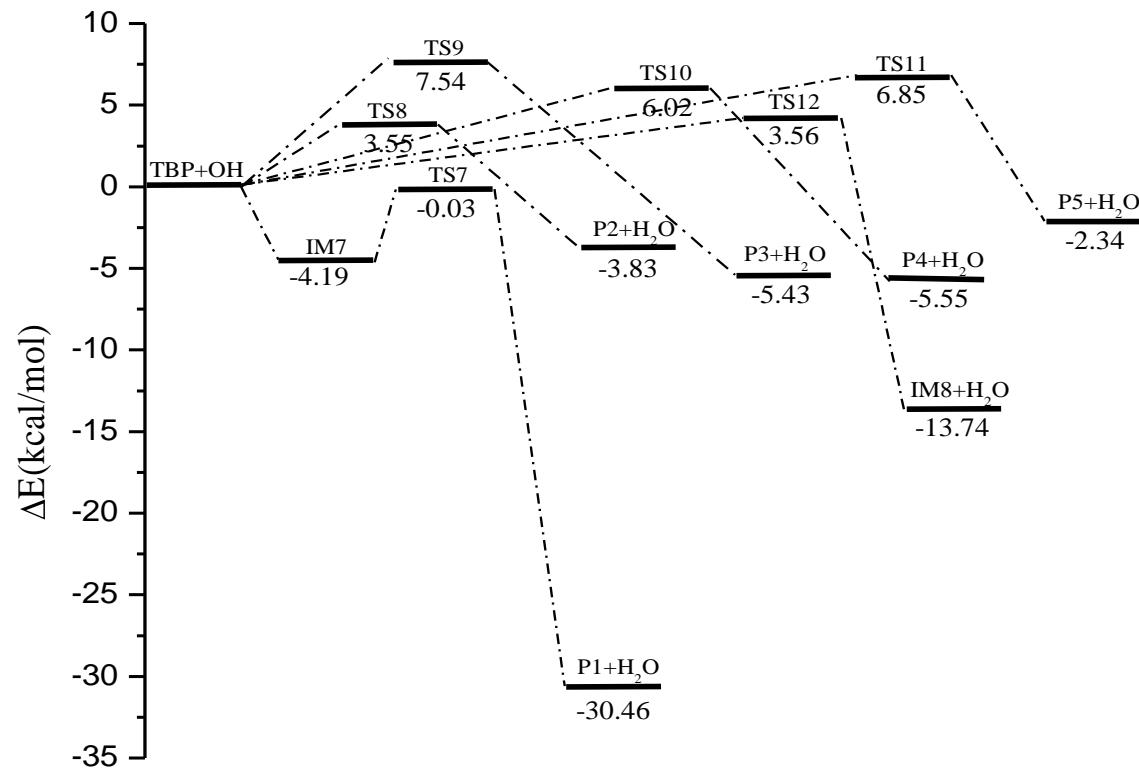
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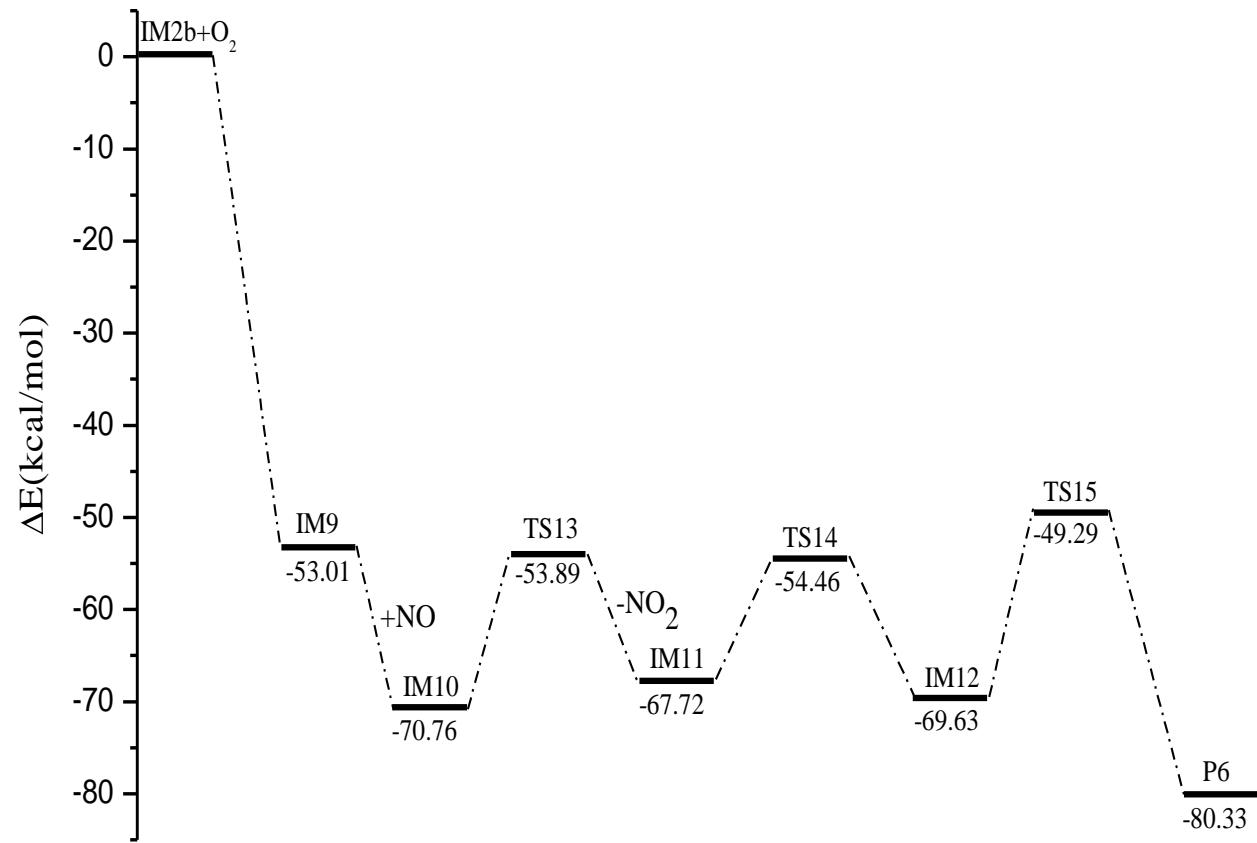
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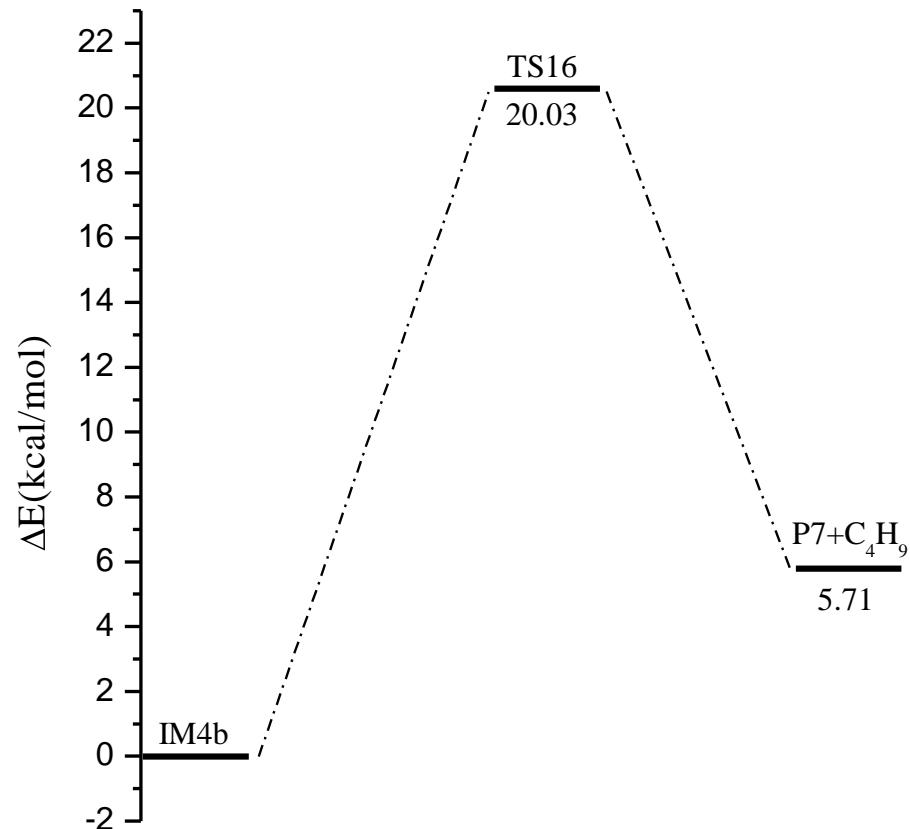
**Fig. S1.** The profile of the potential energy surface for the addition reactions of 4-*tert*-butylphenol (TBP) with OH radicals.



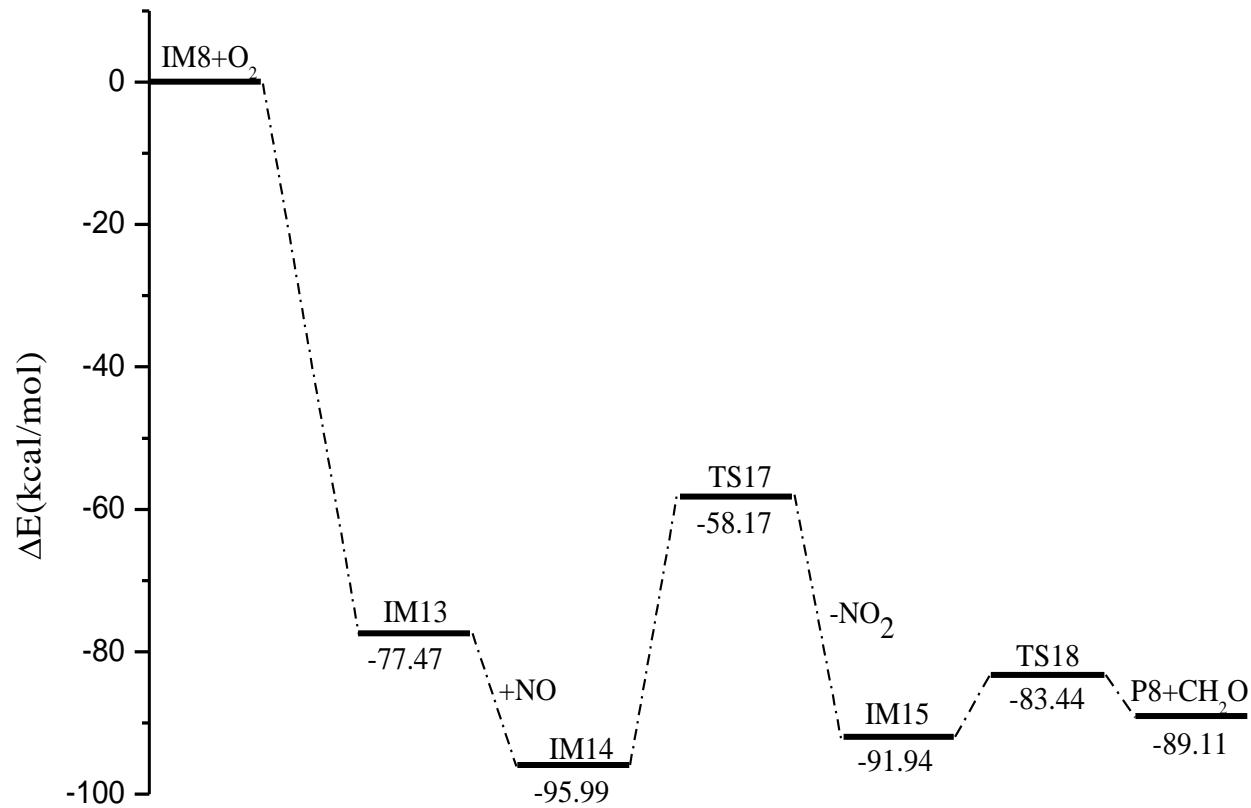
**Fig. S2.** The profile of the potential energy surface for the abstraction reactions of 4-*tert*-butylphenol (TBP) with OH radicals.



**Fig. S3.** The profile of the potential energy surface for IM2b reactions.



**Fig. S4.** The profile of the potential energy surface for IM4b reactions.



**Fig. S5.** The profile of the potential energy surface for IM8 reactions.

**Table S1.** The rate constants of addition reactions with the canonical variational transition with small-curvature tunnelling method at 200–500 K

The bold entries are the rate constants at room temperature, which are discussed in the manuscript

T (K)	Rate constants ( $\text{cm}^3 \text{molecule}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$ )					
	I	II	III	IV	V	VI
200	$7.22 \times 10^{-16}$	$1.01 \times 10^{-14}$	$3.98 \times 10^{-15}$	$6.50 \times 10^{-15}$	$9.92 \times 10^{-18}$	$9.94 \times 10^{-16}$
220	$9.26 \times 10^{-16}$	$1.01 \times 10^{-14}$	$4.28 \times 10^{-15}$	$7.04 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.75 \times 10^{-17}$	$1.33 \times 10^{-15}$
240	$1.15 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.03 \times 10^{-14}$	$4.60 \times 10^{-15}$	$7.62 \times 10^{-15}$	$2.82 \times 10^{-17}$	$1.71 \times 10^{-15}$
260	$1.40 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.06 \times 10^{-14}$	$4.94 \times 10^{-15}$	$8.24 \times 10^{-15}$	$4.28 \times 10^{-17}$	$2.14 \times 10^{-15}$
280	$1.66 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.09 \times 10^{-14}$	$5.30 \times 10^{-15}$	$8.88 \times 10^{-15}$	$6.18 \times 10^{-17}$	$2.60 \times 10^{-15}$
<b>298.15</b>	<b><math>1.93 \times 10^{-15}</math></b>	<b><math>1.12 \times 10^{-14}</math></b>	<b><math>5.64 \times 10^{-15}</math></b>	<b><math>9.50 \times 10^{-15}</math></b>	<b><math>8.28 \times 10^{-17}</math></b>	<b><math>3.04 \times 10^{-15}</math></b>
320	$2.26 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.17 \times 10^{-14}$	$6.08 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.03 \times 10^{-14}$	$1.14 \times 10^{-16}$	$3.64 \times 10^{-15}$
340	$2.60 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.22 \times 10^{-14}$	$6.50 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.10 \times 10^{-14}$	$1.48 \times 10^{-16}$	$4.20 \times 10^{-15}$
360	$2.96 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.30 \times 10^{-14}$	$6.96 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.18 \times 10^{-14}$	$1.87 \times 10^{-16}$	$4.78 \times 10^{-15}$
380	$6.92 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.36 \times 10^{-14}$	$7.42 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.27 \times 10^{-14}$	$2.32 \times 10^{-16}$	$5.40 \times 10^{-15}$
400	$7.80 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.43 \times 10^{-14}$	$7.90 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.36 \times 10^{-14}$	$2.84 \times 10^{-16}$	$6.02 \times 10^{-15}$
450	$1.02 \times 10^{-14}$	$1.61 \times 10^{-14}$	$9.16 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.59 \times 10^{-14}$	$4.42 \times 10^{-16}$	$7.58 \times 10^{-15}$
500	$1.31 \times 10^{-14}$	$1.82 \times 10^{-14}$	$1.04 \times 10^{-14}$	$1.86 \times 10^{-14}$	$6.42 \times 10^{-16}$	$9.06 \times 10^{-15}$

**Table S2.** The rate constants of the abstraction reactions with the canonical variational transition with small-curvature tunnelling method at 200–500 K

The bold entries are the rate constants at room temperature, which are discussed in the manuscript

T (K)	Rate constants ( $\text{cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ )					
	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII
200	$1.78 \times 10^{-16}$	$3.89 \times 10^{-18}$	$4.75 \times 10^{-21}$	$1.36 \times 10^{-19}$	$2.32 \times 10^{-20}$	$8.23 \times 10^{-17}$
220	$3.44 \times 10^{-16}$	$7.57 \times 10^{-18}$	$1.91 \times 10^{-20}$	$4.34 \times 10^{-19}$	$6.91 \times 10^{-20}$	$1.95 \times 10^{-16}$
240	$6.01 \times 10^{-16}$	$1.34 \times 10^{-17}$	$6.17 \times 10^{-20}$	$1.15 \times 10^{-18}$	$1.74 \times 10^{-19}$	$4.06 \times 10^{-16}$
260	$9.71 \times 10^{-16}$	$2.19 \times 10^{-17}$	$1.69 \times 10^{-19}$	$2.68 \times 10^{-18}$	$3.85 \times 10^{-19}$	$7.64 \times 10^{-16}$
280	$1.48 \times 10^{-15}$	$3.38 \times 10^{-17}$	$4.07 \times 10^{-19}$	$5.56 \times 10^{-18}$	$7.68 \times 10^{-19}$	$1.32 \times 10^{-15}$
<b>298.15</b>	<b><math>2.07 \times 10^{-15}</math></b>	<b><math>4.80 \times 10^{-17}</math></b>	<b><math>8.24 \times 10^{-19}</math></b>	<b><math>1.00 \times 10^{-17}</math></b>	<b><math>1.34 \times 10^{-18}</math></b>	<b><math>2.07 \times 10^{-15}</math></b>
320	$2.98 \times 10^{-15}$	$7.00 \times 10^{-17}$	$1.75 \times 10^{-18}$	$1.88 \times 10^{-17}$	$2.44 \times 10^{-18}$	$3.33 \times 10^{-15}$
340	$4.01 \times 10^{-15}$	$9.57 \times 10^{-17}$	$3.25 \times 10^{-18}$	$2.12 \times 10^{-17}$	$3.97 \times 10^{-18}$	$4.91 \times 10^{-15}$
360	$5.25 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.27 \times 10^{-16}$	$5.66 \times 10^{-18}$	$3.37 \times 10^{-17}$	$6.19 \times 10^{-18}$	$6.99 \times 10^{-15}$
380	$6.71 \times 10^{-15}$	$1.65 \times 10^{-16}$	$9.40 \times 10^{-18}$	$5.13 \times 10^{-17}$	$9.27 \times 10^{-18}$	$9.63 \times 10^{-15}$
400	$8.41 \times 10^{-15}$	$2.09 \times 10^{-16}$	$1.49 \times 10^{-17}$	$7.54 \times 10^{-17}$	$1.34 \times 10^{-17}$	$1.30 \times 10^{-14}$
450	$1.38 \times 10^{-14}$	$3.55 \times 10^{-16}$	$4.08 \times 10^{-17}$	$1.74 \times 10^{-16}$	$3.01 \times 10^{-17}$	$2.46 \times 10^{-14}$
500	$2.09 \times 10^{-14}$	$5.55 \times 10^{-16}$	$9.42 \times 10^{-17}$	$3.52 \times 10^{-16}$	$5.94 \times 10^{-17}$	$4.19 \times 10^{-14}$