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L. John Iani, Regional Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region 10
1200 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, WA 98101

Dear ~~Mr. Iani~~: John

On behalf of Governor Murkowski, I am pleased to recommend that Alaska be designated as an attainment area for the eight-hour air quality ozone standard. Alaska is free of harmful levels of ozone pollution.

This recommendation is based upon past and current monitoring of ozone pollution under Alaskan climatic conditions and DEC's professional knowledge of atmospheric conditions, sources of precursor pollutants and limitations upon atmospheric photochemical reactions, which minimize the creation of ozone in Alaska.

Please accept this letter as an initial designation in accordance with the requirements of Section 107 (d)(A) of the Clean Air Act.

Sincerely,

Ernesta Ballard
Commissioner

cc: Frank H. Murkowski, Governor
Jack Phelps, Special Assistant, Governor's Office
Tom Chapple, Director, AWQ, DEC

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