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The Honorable Thomas J. Vilsack
Governor of Iowa
State Capitol Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Governor Vilsack:

Thank you for your recent letter forwarding your state's recommendation regarding air quality designations with respect to the 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS). Your letter is an important step towards providing citizens across the nation with critical information about air pollution levels in their cities and hometowns.

We intend to carefully review your recommendations in determining final designations for the 8-hour ozone NAAQS. We will respond at a later date as we move forward in the designation process.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (913) 551-7006 to further discuss this matter. Alternately, you may contact Art Spratlin of my staff, who may be reached at (913) 551-7401.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James B. Gulliford".

James B. Gulliford
Regional Administrator

cc: Mr. Jeff Vonk
Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Mr. Wayne Gieselman
Iowa Department of Natural Resources