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OFFICE OF
THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR

The Honorable Mike Johanns
Governor of Nebraska
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4848

Dear Governor Johanns:

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 can be reached at (913) 551-7401.

Sincerely,

for James B. Gulliford
Regional Administrator

cc: Mr. Mike Linder, Director
Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality
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