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Mr. Shawn M. Garvin Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III 1650 Arch Street (Mail Code: 3RA00) Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

Dear Mr. Garvin:

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This letter is to notify you of Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP's) intent to move five sources (listed below) identified in our 2016 Annual Air Monitoring Network Plan from the monitoring track to the modeling track of the SO2 Data Requirements Rule (DRR). The 2016 Annual Air Monitoring Network Plan was published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* on June 18, 2016 (46 *Pa.B.* 3140).

County	Facility	2014 SO ₂ TPY
Lehigh	LAFARGE CORP / WHITEHALL PLT	323.21
Northampton	NORTHAMPTON GEN CO / NORTHAMPTON	391.22
Northampton	ESSROC / NAZARETH LOWER CEMENT PLT I II III	544.50
Northampton	KEYSTONE PORTLAND CEMENT / EAST ALLEN	1354.24
Northampton	HERCULES CEMENT CO LP / STOCKERTOWN	1373.45

Since June 18, more refined modeling for the five facilities clustered in Lehigh and Northampton counties has been completed. The refined modeling indicated that monitoring was no longer necessary to comply with the DRR and that utilizing a modeling approach will satisfy the requirements of the SO2 DRR. There are no other identified SO2 DRR sources located nearby.

Notice of the availability of the revised Network Plan for public review and comment was published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin on November 19, 2016 (46 Pa.B. 7393). The public comment period on the revised Network Plan will close on December 18, 2015.

DEP is in possession of the completed modeling for the Lafarge facility and the ESSROC facility. The completed modeling for the remaining facilities is expected to be delivered by December 16, 2016. DEP is on track to complete the modeling of the facilities and submit the required modeling analyses to EPA by the January 17, 2017, deadline. DEP is aware of its ongoing obligations under 40 CFR §51.1205 relating to ongoing data requirements of the SO2 DRR.

Thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of this modification of DEP's 2016 Annual Air Monitoring Network Plan. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Krishnan Ramamurthy, Acting Director of the Bureau of Air Quality, by e-mail at kramamurth@pa.gov or by telephone at 717.787.9702.

Sincerely,

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