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Mr. Mike Jay
Branch Chief
Air Planning and Development Branch
U.S. EPA, Region VII
11201 Renner Boulevard
Lenexa, Kansas 66219

Dear Mike,

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Air Pollution Control Program (air program) is requesting that the Environmental Protection Agency's Region 7 not act on Missouri's area designation recommendations submitted on September 30, 2016. In light of the most recent events pertaining to the 2015 8-hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) area designations, the air program is reviewing and revising the previous boundary recommendation.

As you are aware, the boundary recommendation was submitted relying on 2013-2015 monitoring data. However, now there is almost two additional years of monitoring data and the air program is working on a revision to the submitted area designation recommendations based on 2015-2017 monitoring data. Preliminary design values from the current monitoring period show only one monitor (West Alton) violates the 2015 8-hour Ozone NAAQS, a reduction from three violating monitors for the monitoring period 2014-2016.

Thank you for the opportunity to revisit these recommendations due to the length of time that has elapsed since our initial submittal. If you have any questions, please contact Darcy Bybee at (573) 751-7840.

Sincerely,

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Kyra L. Moore
Director

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