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Subject: Lead Nonattainment Area Boundary Recommendations

Dear Mr. Blumenfeld: *Jared*

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality is in receipt of your November 16, 2010 letter to Governor Brewer advising that EPA lacks sufficient information to warrant a lead (Pb) nonattainment designation for any portion of Arizona at this time. The letter invited further comment regarding an appropriate designation recommendation for the Hayden area or other areas in the Arizona.

Pursuant to Section 107(d) of the Clean Air Act, and your November 16, 2010 decision to delay the designation of the Hayden area until no later than October 15, 2011, Arizona recommends that the Hayden area be designated as unclassifiable because available information does not support designation as meeting or not meeting the national ambient air quality standards for lead. In addition, Arizona maintains Governor Brewer's November 16, 2009 recommendation that all other portions of the State (except Indian Country) be designated as attainment/unclassifiable for the standard.

If sufficient information that supports designation of any area within the State, including the Hayden area, to attainment or nonattainment status is collected at some future date, Arizona will submit a revised recommendation.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please contact Eric Massey, the Director of the Air Quality Division, at (602) 771-2308.

Sincerely,

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