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The Honorable Ruth Ann Minner
Governor of Delaware
William Penn Street, Tatnall Building
Dover, Delaware 19901

Dear Governor Minner:

Thank you for your recent letter of February 17, 2004 forwarding Delaware's recommendations on air quality designations for the national health based standard for fine particles.

Your letter is an important step toward providing citizens in your state with critical information about air pollution levels in their community. We intend to carefully review the recommendations and work with the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control as necessary in determining final boundaries for your nonattainment areas.

We look forward to working with Delaware in the coming months on designations for the fine particle standards. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me or Judith M. Katz, Director, Air Protection Division, at (215) 814-2100.

Sincerely,

Donald S. Welsh
Regional Administrator

cc: The Honorable John A. Hughes, Secretary, DNREC
John B. Blevins, Director, DNREC