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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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Honorable Joseph E. Kernan  
Governor of Indiana  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2797

Dear Governor Kernan:

Thank you for your February 15, 2004, letter which forwarded Indiana's preliminary recommendations regarding attainment of the fine particle standard. I appreciate your commitment to achieve air quality throughout Indiana that meets the public health based standards.

Your recommendations are important in providing the citizens of Indiana with critical information about air pollution levels in their communities. We intend to carefully review the recommendations and work with you and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management in determining the final boundaries for your non-attainment areas.

We look forward to working with Indiana in the coming months on designations for the fine particle standards. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

/s/ original signed by  
Bharat Mathur  
Thomas V. Skinner  
Regional Administrator