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April 27, 2004

Richard E. Greene, Regional Administrator
Environment Protection Agency, Region VI
1445 Ross Ave. Suite 1200
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Subject: PM 2.5 designation recommendation letter

Dear Mr. Greene,

Enclosed please find a copy of the PM 2/5 designation recommendation letter sent to Mr. Jeff Holmstead, Assistant Administrator for OAR

Sincerely,

Lisa Brenneman

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Air Quality Officer
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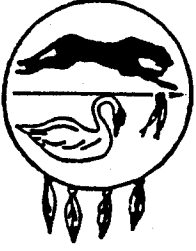
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March 19, 2004

Jeff Holmstead, Assistant Administrator for OAR
1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
MC 61001A
Washington DC, 20460

Subject: Designation for Fine Particulate Matter (PM 2.5) Recommendation

Dear Mr. Holmstead,

Thank you for this opportunity to provide a recommendation for PM 2.5 designation for Indian country for the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma. As our sovereign responsibility and in accordance with the Tribal Authority Rule as defined in the Clean Air Act Section 505(c)(2), we are pleased to provide a recommendation that helps to address the unique needs of Indian country.

The Eastern Shawnee Tribe is a federally recognized tribe, since 1939, for which the United States government and its agencies have a trust responsibility. The Eastern Shawnee tribal lands are located in far northeastern Oklahoma near the Missouri border; the tribe has trust land and fee simple land, spread across Ottawa County. The tribe also maintains complete or partial ownership of other land not yet in trust in Oklahoma, Missouri and Kansas. The Shawnee Reservation was initially established by treaty on December 29, 1832.

As provided in sections 301(d) and 1110(o) of the Clean Air Act, we recommend a designation for the air shed and all lands that the Eastern Shawnee Tribe holds interest in as attainment/unclassifiable for PM 2.5 NAAQS. There is one monitor in Ottawa County as listed by EPA's AQS database. The monitor site ID number is 40-115-9004 and is located in Miami, Ottawa County, Oklahoma. The data from this monitor for 2001-2003 indicates levels appropriate for the attainment designation. We assert that this data is representative for the entire county because PM 2.5 is a regional transport pollutant. We make this recommendation in keeping with the tribe's goal to protect the health of our tribal members and the surrounding community, and to protect our air resources for the present and future generations.

We look forward to a continued dialogue with you about the designation of our area for the PM fine standard. If you have any questions regarding these recommendations, please contact Roxane Weldon, Environmental Director, at 918-666-2435 X228.

Sincerely,


Chief Charles Enyart

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cc: Richard E. Greene, Regional Administrator, Region VI
Richard Thomas, Project Officer, Region VI

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