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Mr. Karl Brooks
Regional Administrator
U.S. EPA, Region VII
11201 Renner Boulevard
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Dear Mr. Brooks:

In accordance with section 107(d)(1) of the Clean Air Act, and additional guidance from EPA, I am submitting my designation recommendation for the revised Primary Annual Fine Particle National Ambient Air Quality Standard (PM_{2.5} NAAQS) which was signed by the Administrator on December 14, 2012, published in the Federal Register on January 15, 2013 (78 FR 3086), and became effective on March 18, 2013.

Nebraska currently monitors PM_{2.5} at seven sites across the state. Based upon the three most recent years of monitoring data available, the years 2010, 2011, and 2012, the design value at all monitoring sites in Nebraska is below the revised annual PM_{2.5} standard of 12.0 µg/m³. Therefore I am recommending that the entire state of Nebraska be designated "unclassifiable/attainment".

The enclosed documentation includes data for all fine particle monitors in Nebraska, the annual averages for the years 2010, 2011, and 2012, and the 3-year design value at each location. This data will substantiate my recommendation.

Sincerely,

Dave Heineman
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cc: Becky Weber, Air, RCRA, and Toxics Divisions, U.S. EPA, Region VII
Mike Linder, Director, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality
Shelley Schneider, Administrator, Air Quality Division, NDEQ

Site	2010 ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	2011 ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	2012 ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Design Value ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	% NAAQS
Omaha MSA & Near-By Sites					
Omaha NCore	8.7	9.2	8.4	8.8	73%
9225 Berry St.; Omaha	10.4	10.6	11.7	10.9	91%
2912 Coffey Ave., Bellevue	12.4	11.7	10.4	11.5	96%
2242 Wright St., Blair	9.7	9.1	9.2	9.3	78%
Lincoln MSA Site					
3140 N Street, Lincoln	9.0	8.5	8.7	8.8	73%
Other Nebraska Sites					
Grand Island Senior High	7.3	7.0	7.6	7.3	61%
Scottsbluff	5.3	4.8	5.6	5.2	44%