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STATE OF ARKANSAS

ASA HUTCHINSON GOVERNOR

September 29, 2016

Mr. Ron Curry Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VI 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

Re:

Ozone (O₃) National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) Area Attainment Designation Recommendations for Counties in the State of Arkansas

Dear Mr. Curry:

Section 107(d)(1) of the federal Clean Air Act requires state governors to recommend attainment status designations within one year of the promulgation of any new or revised National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS). On October 26, 2015, EPA promulgated a new eight-hour NAAQS for ozone (O_3) at 70 parts per billion (ppb), to replace the previous standard of 75 ppb.

Pursuant to the above-stated requirement, I am providing the enclosed recommendations for the designation of areas in Arkansas with regard to the revised NAAQS for eight-hour ozone. The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality developed these recommendations based on currently available ozone monitoring data for all areas in Arkansas for the 2013 through 2015 period.

All counties should be designated as either "attainment" or "unclassifiable/attainment" for the new O_3 standard. A complete list with recommendations for each county is attached.

If you have questions regarding this submittal, please contact Stuart Spencer, Associate Director, Office of Air Quality, Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72218-5317, (501) 682-0750. We look forward to your prompt review of these designation recommendations.

Asa Hutchinson

cc:

Becky Keogh, ADEQ Director

Stuart Spencer, ADEQ Associate Director, Office of Air Quality Wren Stenger, EPA Region VI Multimedia Division Director

Enclosure: Table of Arkansas County Designation Recommendations

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Arkansas 8-Hour Ozone (O₃)

Designation Recommendations

County	Recommended Designation
Arkansas	Unclassifiable/Attainment
	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Ashley Baxter	
	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Benton	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Boone	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Bradley	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Calhoun	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Carroll	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Chicot	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Clark*	Attainment
Clay	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Cleburne	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Cleveland	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Columbia	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Conway	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Craighead	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Crawford	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Crittenden*	Attainment
Cross	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Dallas	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Desha	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Drew	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Faulkner	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Franklin	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Fulton	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Garland	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Grant	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Greene	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Hempstead	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Hot Spring	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Howard	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Independence	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Izard	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Jackson	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Jefferson	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Johnson	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Lafayette	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Lawrence	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Lee	Unclassifiable/Attainment
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County	Recommended Designation
Lincoln	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Little River	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Logan	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Lonoke	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Madison	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Marion	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Miller	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Mississippi	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Monroe	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Montgomery	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Nevada	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Newton*	Attainment
Ouachita	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Perry	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Phillips .	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Pike	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Poinsett	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Polk*	Attainment
Pope	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Prairie	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Pulaski*	Attainment
Randolph	Unclassifiable/Attainment
St. Francis	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Saline	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Scott	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Searcy	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Sebastian	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Sevier	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Sharp	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Stone	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Union	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Van Buren	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Washington*	Attainment
White	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Woodruff	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Yell	Unclassifiable/Attainment

^{*}County containing ozone (O₃) monitor