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Mr. Adam R.F. Gustafson
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Dear Mr. Gustafson:

This letter is in response to your Request for Correction (RFC) on behalf of the State of Kansas, the State of Nebraska, the Energy Future Coalition, and Urban Air Initiative, dated March 6, 2015, and received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, pursuant to the *Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Information Disseminated by the Environmental Protection Agency* (EPA IQG)¹. Your request cites concerns about the objectivity, utility, and integrity of information concerning motor vehicle fuel emissions represented in the Motor Vehicle Emissions Simulator model (MOVES2014) and the EPA/V2/E-89 fuel effects study (EPA study)² on which it is based.

The subject matter of this RFC is related to a case that is currently pending before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. The State of Kansas, the State of Nebraska, the Energy Future Coalition, and Urban Air Initiative are petitioners challenging this model and study. Since the issues raised in your RFC are related to the upcoming litigation, the EPA is deferring consideration of your request at this time.

However, if at the conclusion of the litigation your data quality concerns have not been addressed, you may resubmit this request. If you choose to submit an RFC within 90 days of the conclusion of the litigation, please send your written request to the EPA Information Quality Guidelines Processing Staff via mail (Information Quality Guidelines Processing Staff, Mail Code 2811A, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20460) or electronic

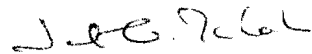
¹ *Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Information Disseminated by the Environmental Protection Agency*, EPA, 2002. (67 FR 63657).

² EPA, *Assessing the Effect of Five Gasoline Properties on Exhaust Emissions from Light-Duty Vehicles Certified to Tier 2 Standards: Analysis of Data from EPA/V2/E-89*, Final Report (Apr. 2013) (hereinafter "EPA Final Report"), <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/models/moves/documents/420r13002.pdf>.

mail (quality@epa.gov). Additional information about how to submit an RFC is listed on the EPA IQG Web Site (www.epa.gov/quality/informationguidelines).

Thank you for your interest in EPA's information quality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J.G. McCabe".

Janet G. McCabe
Acting Assistant Administrator