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REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR

Ms. Catherine Fitzsimmons, Chief
Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Air Quality Bureau
502 East 9th Street
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Ms. Fitzsimmons:

With this letter, I am pleased to approve the Iowa Department of Natural Resources 2019 Ambient Air Monitoring Network Plan submitted for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's approval on June 24, 2019. I am also approving the proposed discontinuation of the following Special Purpose Monitor:

- Des Moines Health Dept, CO

The EPA concurs with IDNR's proposal to reclassify three monitors for PM_{2.5} from State and Local Air Monitoring Stations (SLAMS) to Special Purpose Monitors (SPMs) since there are no federal requirements for PM_{2.5} monitors at these locations.

In addition, we will continue to coordinate with you to ensure that Iowa's monitoring obligations in multi-state areas are met for the next monitoring network planning period.

The EPA appreciates your commitment to protecting air quality for the citizens of Iowa and dedication to our shared mission. I look forward to continued work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JAC" followed by a stylized flourish.

James B. Gulliford