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Ms. Jeaneanne Gettle
Acting Regional Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
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Dear Ms. Gettle:

As the designee of the Governor of the State of Alabama, I am writing to provide the State's designation recommendations for the 2024 Annual PM_{2.5} National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS).

I recommend that all areas of the State be designated as "Attainment" for the new NAAQS, based on ambient monitoring and a clear demonstration of certain exceptional events attributed to prescribed fires, international wildfires occurring in Canada and Mexico, Saharan dust from Africa, and local holiday fireworks displays. This recommendation is based on the statewide ambient air monitoring data included below and Exceptional Events Demonstrations that will be uploaded separately.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Aubrey White at (334) 271-7868 or ahw@adem.alabama.gov.

Sincerely,

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Summary of 2021-2023 Annual PM2.5 Design Values

Statewide PM2.5 Monitors (Excluding Jefferson County)

	2021-2023 Annual PM2.5 Design Value	Design Value with EPA Concurrence on Removal of Exceptional Events
Ashland	7.3	
Chickasaw-Iroquois	8.1	
Crossville	7.8	
Decatur	7.8	
Fairhope	7.4	
Gadsden	8.8	
Huntsville	7.7	
Montgomery	8.6	
Phenix City	9.5*	9.0
Tuscaloosa	7.9	
Sumter (Ward)	6.2	

*Exceptional Events Demonstrations included in Appendix A

Jefferson County PM2.5 Monitors Only

	2021-2023 Annual PM2.5 Design Value	Design Value with EPA Concurrence on Removal of Exceptional Events
Leeds	8.4	
McAdory	8.4	
North Birmingham (NCore)	9.6*	9.0
Wylam	8.8	
Near-Road	9.5*	8.9

*Exceptional Events Demonstrations included in Appendix B