Henry St. Germaine, Sr.
PRESIDENT

March 19, 2003

Mr. Thomas V. Skinner
U.S. EPA Regional Administrator (R-19J)
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, IL 60604 -3590

Dear Mr. Skinner:

SUBJECT: 8-HOUR OZONE RECOMMENDATION FOR THE LAC DU FLAMBEAU INDIAN RESERVATION

The Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Tribe recommends that all lands within the Lac du Flambeau Indian Reservation be classified as attainment/unclassifiable areas for the 8- hour ozone NAAQS Standard. The entire lands within the Lac du Flambeau Reservation boundaries shall be designated as attainment/unclassifiable, which consists of Vilas, Oneida and Iron Counties in northern Wisconsin.

Although, no ozone monitoring has been conducted on the reservation we believe we meet the 8 – hour ozone standard. The monitoring stations located nearest to our reservation as listed on EPA's Wisconsin Ozone Monitoring Sites (AIRS Website) are the Trout Lake Nursery, County Hwy M and North Lakeland School, Cty K, 6 miles south of Manitowish Waters.

It is our Tribe's goal to maintain the good air quality and strive to protect the air resources for future generations. We would also like to recommend all ceded territories that the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Tribe hold interest to be designated as attainable/non-classifiable. These lands are in Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota.

If you have, any questions regarding these recommendations please contact Dee A. Mayo, Env. Specialist, at 715-588-4295.

Sincerely,

Henry St. Germaine

Mr. Henry St. Germaine, Tribal Chairman

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