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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:
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Jonnie Jay Sam II, Chairman
Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
375 River Street
Manistee, Michigan 49660

Dear Chairman Sam:

Thank you for your April 9, 2003, letter regarding recommendations for designations with respect to the 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard.

As indicated in Jeffrey Holmstead's February 27, 2003, guidance "Extension for States and Tribes to Submit Air Quality Designation Recommendations for the 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards," the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) anticipates that it will designate areas no later than April 15, 2004. The EPA will notify you of any modifications we plan to make to your recommendation no later than 120 days prior to promulgating designations.

Region 5 looks forward to working with you on the 8-hour ozone designations in the future. If I can be of further assistance to you please feel free to contact me, or your staff may contact Faye Blondin, tribal air contact, at (312) 353-5069.

Very truly yours,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
DAVID A. ULLRICH

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Regional Administrator

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