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Mr. William C. Early
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1650 Arch Street
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Dear Mr. Early:

Maryland appreciates the opportunity to provide recommendations for Maryland's counties under the revised lead standard. In accordance with Section 107(d)(1) of the Clean Air Act, Maryland's boundary recommendations for attainment, nonattainment, and unclassifiable areas under the revised lead standard are provided below in Table 1.

Maryland is recommending that EPA designate all of Maryland as being "unclassifiable" under the new standard. Maryland does not have any counties that violate the revised lead standard of 0.15 micrograms per cubic meter according to lead monitoring results across the United States mapped on EPA's lead standards web page, <http://www.epa.gov/air/lead/actions.html>.

Table 1. Maryland's Revised Lead Designation Recommendation

<u>Designated Area</u>	<u>Designation</u>
Anne Arundel County	Unclassifiable
Baltimore City	Unclassifiable
Baltimore County	Unclassifiable
Carroll County	Unclassifiable
Harford County	Unclassifiable
Howard County	Unclassifiable
Calvert County	Unclassifiable
Charles County	Unclassifiable
Frederick County	Unclassifiable

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Montgomery County	Unclassifiable
Prince Georges County	Unclassifiable

<u>Designated Area</u>	<u>Designation</u>
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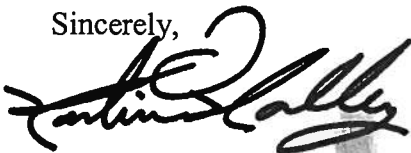
Washington County	Unclassifiable
Cecil County	Unclassifiable
Kent County	Unclassifiable
Queen Anne’s County	Unclassifiable
Allegany County	Unclassifiable
Garrett County	Unclassifiable
St. Mary’s County	Unclassifiable
Caroline County	Unclassifiable
Dorchester County	Unclassifiable
Talbot County	Unclassifiable
Wicomico County	Unclassifiable
Somerset County	Unclassifiable
Worcester County	Unclassifiable

Maryland recognizes that this boundary recommendation submittal is only the first step in the lead designation process, and looks forward to working with the Environmental Protection Agency and Maryland stakeholders during the final steps of the designation process.

Last, while Maryland does not currently have lead monitors, MDE will address the requirements for monitors under the new standard. MDE, in conjunction with EPA Region III, reviewed the 2007 lead emissions inventory and found no lead sources with emissions of 1 ton per year or greater. Therefore, no source oriented lead monitors are proposed. MDE will propose locations for population based lead monitors in next year’s monitoring network plan to comply with the January 1, 2011 deadline.

If you have any questions about this submission, please contact Shari T. Wilson, Secretary of the Maryland Department of Environment at (410) 537-3084.

Sincerely,



Governor

cc: Shari T. Wilson, Secretary, Maryland Department of Environment