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Mr. A. Stanley Meiburg Acting Regional Administrator US EPA, Region IV Atlanta Federal Center, 12th Floor 61 Forsyth Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30303

RE: Clean Air Act

Tennessee Nonattainment Area Recommendations for Lead

Dear Mr. Meiburg:

As the Commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, I am designated to file the recommended lead attainment designations for Tennessee as required by the Clean Air Act. The designation recommendations are based on the lead monitoring data for 2005-2007 as provided by EPA. EPA has not yet provided a design value calculation tool in the AQS System to run reports for the most recent data or verify the data used by EPA. As such, Tennessee reserves the right to change our recommendation when EPA makes these tools available.

The following area is recommended as nonattainment for the revised lead national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS):

Sullivan County (partial)

The area encompassed by a circle centered on Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) coordinate 4042923 Meters E, 386267 Meters N (Zone 17) with a radius of 1.0 kilometers.

The area recommended encompasses a stationary point source that manufactures lead acid storage batteries. There are no other notable sources of lead in the county.

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All remaining areas of Tennessee not specified above are recommended as attainment or unclassifiable.

I believe this recommendation will enable Tennessee to attain the lead standard within the deadlines established by the Clean Air Act and its implementation regulations.

Your favorable review of these recommendations will be appreciated. If you should need additional information, please feel free to contact our Air Pollution Control Division Director, Barry R. Stephens.

Sincerely,

James H. Fyke

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