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Mr. Joshua A. Tapp  
Branch Chief  
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Dear Mr. Tapp:

In your letter dated November 10, 2010, you requested updated recommendations and supporting technical documentation for the second round of designations for the 2008 lead National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). In September 2009 the State recommended all areas in Iowa be designated attainment/unclassifiable relative to the 2008 NAAQS for lead. Data from an ambient air lead monitor located in Council Bluffs has since measured lead concentrations which do not meet the lead NAAQS.

The attached technical support document provides justification for a 3.4 square mile area of Council Bluffs that may be impacted by EPA's final nonattainment designation decision. The State of Iowa appreciates EPA's consideration of this information in the designations process. If you have any questions on the enclosed recommendation and supporting information, please contact Jim McGraw at 515-242-5167, or by email at [jim.mcgraw@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:jim.mcgraw@dnr.iowa.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Catharine Fitzsimmons".

Catharine Fitzsimmons  
Chief, Air Quality Bureau

Enclosure

cc: Stephanie Doolan, EPA R7, without enclosure