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Nancy E. Vehr, Administrator Air Quality Division Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality 200 West 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Third Floor Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002

Dear Ms. Vehr:

I am writing to inform you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has finalized a list of additional areas subject to the mitigation plan requirements found in the 2016 Exceptional Events Rule and codified at 40 CFR 51.930. The enclosed background document includes a table that summarizes the portions of Wyoming the Agency has determined to have frequently recurring exceptional events of the same type and pollutant. The process that the Agency followed to identify additional areas subject to mitigation plans and the required components of mitigation plans are contained in the background document, which is also in the docket established for this rulemaking (Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2022-0313) and on the EPA's Exceptional Events web site at https://www.epa.gov/air-quality-analysis/treatment-air-quality-data-influenced-exceptional-events-homepage-exceptional.

Section 319(b) of the Clean Air Act expresses Congress's intent that, in promulgating the Exceptional Events Rule, the protection of public health be the highest priority. The Agency believes fulfilling its obligation to identify additional areas with historically documented or recurrent exceptional events is an important step in fulfilling the Agency's mission to protect public health.

If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (303) 312-6416, or your staff may contact Adam Eisele, of my staff, at (303) 312-6246 or at eisele.adam@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

4/27/2022

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Signed by: CARL DALY Carl Daly Acting Director Air and Radiation Division

Enclosure