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Mr. Jim Gulliford

Regional Administrator

U.S. EPA Region VII

11201 Renner Blvd.

Lenexa, KS 66219

Dear Mr. Gulliford:

We respectfully request removal of the following portion of the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the state of Nebraska:

*Article 2. Section 19. Prevention of Significant Deterioration of Air Quality (PSD)*

*Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department (LLCHD)*

This Article was contained in a SIP revision package approved by EPA on February 14, 1996, and its inclusion in the SIP has created confusion regarding the authority to issue PSD permits in Lincoln-Lancaster County, Nebraska. The authority to issue PSD permits in Lancaster County, Nebraska, resides with the State of Nebraska. LLCHD is not directly delegated authority to implement PSD in their jurisdiction. LLCHD does have the authority to implement and enforce the state’s PSD program with oversight from the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ).

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Kevin Stoner, Air Division Administrator, at (402) 471-4299 or Tracy Wharton, NAAQS-SIP Coordinator, at (402) 471-6410.

Sincerely,

Jim Macy

Director

Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality