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Mr. James B. Gulliford
Regional Administrator
United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region VII
901 5th Street
Kansas City, Kansas 66101

Dear Mr. Gulliford:

In July 1997, the Environmental Protection Agency promulgated a new National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for ozone. In accordance with section 107(d) of the Clean Air Act, EPA must provide an initial list of areas that do not meet the new standard. According to the Clean Air Act, the Governor of each State must use air monitoring data to designate areas within the State that do not meet the new standard, and provide this information as a recommendation to EPA for its non-attainment area designations. In your letter of December 6, 2002 you requested this information by April 15, 2003 based on Iowa monitoring data gathered from 2000-2002.

A review of Iowa's 2000-2002 ozone monitoring data indicates that none of the ozone monitors in Iowa measured violations of the new standard. I therefore request that EPA designate all counties in Iowa as attainment/unclassifiable with respect to the new ozone NAAQS.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Vilsack".

Thomas J. Vilsack
Governor

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Ozone Attainment Calculations (Three Year Averages Greater Than 8.5 ppb Indicate Non-Attainment with the NAAQS)						
County	City	EPA Monitor Id	Year	4th Highest Daily Maximum 8hr Ozone Concentration (ppb)	3-year Average (ppb) of 4th Highest	Years Averaged
Bremer	Waverly	190170011442011	2000	78		
			2001	69		
			2002	69	72	00-02
Clinton	Clinton	190450021442011	2000	77		
			2001	79		
			2002	80	78	00-02
Harrison	Pisgah	190851101442011	2000	75		
			2001	78		
			2002	78	77	00-02
Linn	Cedar Rapids	191130028442011	2000	68		
			2001	68		
			2002	72	69	00-02
Linn	Coggon	191130033442011	2000	75		
			2001	69		
			2002	70	71	00-02
Montgomery	Red Oak	191370002442010	2002	74	*	
Palo Alto	Emmetsburg	191471002442011	2000	72		
			2001	63		
			2002	65	66	00-02
Polk	Des Moines	191530058442011	2000	61		
			2001	60		
			2002	59	60	00-02
Scott	Davenport	191630014442011	2000	77		
			2001	79		
			2002	82	79	00-02
Scott	Argo	191632011442011	2000	76		
			2001	77		
			2002	80	77	00-02
Story	Slater	191690011442011	2000	70		
			2001	58		
			2002	64	64	00-02
Van Buren	Keosauqua	191770005442011	2000	73		
			2001	71		
			2002	80	74	00-02
Warren	Indianola	191810022442011	2000	71		
			2001	58		
			2002	61	63	00-02

* Monitor operated for less than three years