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Edward H. Chu Acting Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region VII 11201 Renner Blvd Lenexa, KS 66219

Dear Acting Administrator Chu:

The lowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is submitting the annual report required pursuant to the sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) Data Requirements Rule (DRR, 80 FR 51051, August 21, 2015). Under the DRR, a report must be submitted to the EPA Regional Administrator by July 1 each year that documents the annual SO<sub>2</sub> emissions of each applicable source in each area where modeling of actual emissions served as the basis for designating the area attainment.

The attainment designations published July 12, 2016 (81 FR 45039) for Des Moines and Wapello Counties for the 2010 1-hour SO<sub>2</sub> national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS) were based on modeling of actual SO<sub>2</sub> emissions. No other areas in Iowa are yet subject to the DRR's ongoing reporting requirements.

The enclosed report documents significant SO<sub>2</sub> emission reductions from sources in Des Moines and Wapello Counties. The DNR therefore concludes that additional modeling is unnecessary to determine that Des Moines and Wapello Counties continue to attain the 1-hour SO<sub>2</sub> NAAQS.

The DNR provided a 31-day public comment period on the report that started May 16, 2017, and ended June 16, 2017. Notice was provided through the air quality listserv, which reaches over 7,000 subscribers, and the DNR's website. No public comments were received.

Sincerely,

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