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Subject: Response to Comments from the U.S. EPA on an Exceptional Events Request

Dear Ms. Lehrman:

The purpose of this letter is to respond to comments provided by your office on July 25, 2012 regarding our original report entitled "*Documentation in Support of a Request to Designate the PM_{2.5} Episode of Eastern Wisconsin September 13-14, 2011 as an Exceptional Event.*"

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) has revised the original report based on the U.S. EPA's comments. The revised report is included as an attachment to this letter. Based on this revised report, the WDNR is requesting that the U.S. EPA officially designate this episode as an exceptional event and to invalidate one Federal Reference Method (FRM) 24-hour fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) measurement collected in Milwaukee, WI during this episode.

In your review of the revised report, if you have any further questions please contact Bill Adamski at (608) 266 – 2660 or William.Adamski@wisconsin.gov.

Sincerely,

Bart Sponseller, Director
Bureau of Air Management

attachments: Documentation in Support of a Request to Designate the PM_{2.5} Episode of Eastern Wisconsin September 13-14, 2011 as an Exceptional Event – Version 2

cc: U.S. EPA Region 5 (AR-18J) [Jesse McGrath, Michael Rizzo and Patricia Schraufnagel]
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