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Mr. Rick Brunetti, Director  
Kansas Department of Health and Environment  
Bureau of Air  
Curtis State Office Building  
1000 S.W. Jackson, Suite 310  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Mr. Brunetti:

Beginning May 25, 2015 through June 25, 2016, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's 2016-2017 Ambient Air Monitoring Network Plan was posted on its website for public comment as required by 40 CFR Part 58. Comments were received from the Sierra Club and were addressed by KDHE within the network monitoring plan document.

The plan was submitted by the KDHE in a letter dated July 15, 2016. The plan was reviewed and found to be in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR Part 58. With this letter, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is approving KDHE's 2016 Ambient Air Monitoring Network Plan.

The EPA promulgated the Data Requirements Rule for the 2010 1-Hour Sulfur Dioxide Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard on August 21, 2015. The Data Requirements Rule requires air agencies to submit, as part of the annual monitoring network plan, information concerning SO<sub>2</sub> monitors for areas that will be characterized via monitoring pursuant to the Rule. KDHE has three source areas subject to the Data Requirements Rule; however, in accordance with the Rule, KDHE is planning to address the source areas using methods other than monitoring, and therefore is not required to include monitoring information for the source areas in the annual monitoring network plan.

Your air monitoring staff is to be commended for its hard work and attention to detail while completing the annual network plan. Your actions and dedication directly support the Environmental Protection Agency's strategic air quality goals by maintaining a well-designed monitoring network.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark Hague".

Mark Hague



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