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Sent Via Electronic Mail

RE: Initial Response to June 22, 2020 Letter from VISTAS Requesting Regional Haze Reasonable Progress Analysis for Missouri Source Impacting VISTAS Class I Areas

Dear Chad LaFontaine

This letter serves as the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Air Pollution Control Program's (Air Program's) initial response to a letter from John Hornbeck with VISTAS dated June 22, 2020. In the letter, VISTAS indicated that projected emissions in 2028 from the New Madrid Power Plant located in New Madrid County Missouri were anticipated to impact visibility at federal Class I areas located in Alabama, Kentucky, and North Carolina. As such, VISTAS requested that Missouri conduct, or require that the New Madrid Power Plant initiate, and share with VISTAS when completed, the results of a reasonable progress analysis pursuant to the federal Regional Haze Rule. The VISTAS letter requested that we submit this information to VISTAS by October 30, 2020.

On July 29, 2020, the Air Program sent a letter to the New Madrid Power Plant requesting the information needed to conduct a reasonable progress analysis for the source pursuant to the Regional Haze Rule. In our letter, we requested that New Madrid submit the information by September 1, 2020; however, the source requested and was granted an extension to submit the information. We can provide the information we receive once we have it and have reviewed it. We anticipate that results of our analysis will be available to share with VISTAS by the end of the 2020 calendar year.

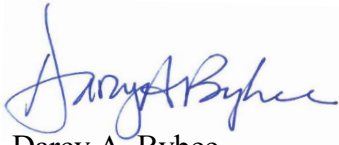


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Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Emily Wilbur with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Air Pollution Control Program at P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102, at (emily.wilbur@dnr.mo.gov) or by telephone at (573) 751-4817.

Sincerely,

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM



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Enclosure: New Madrid Power Plant Response to the Air Program's July 2020 Information Request Pursuant to the Regional Haze Rule