

October 1, 2003

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Re: Federal Aviation Administration
Mike Monroney Aeronautical Center
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Lasseter,

This is in response to your letter of June 17, 2003, requesting our assistance in a determination regarding the Federal Aviation Administration, Mike Monroney Aeronautical Center (MMAC), Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Your request concerns whether it is appropriate to consider the seasonal operation of certain equipment located at the MMAC as an inherent limitation on potential to emit (PTE). It is represented that this equipment is operated for seasonal indoor climate control only, and mainly consists of numerous boilers and space heaters, along with a chiller powered by two internal combustion engines.

Considering your request, and the subsequent background information provided to us by the source dated July 15, 2003, Environmental Protection Agency Region 6 concurs with you that the seasonal use of this equipment is an inherent operational limitation on PTE. In addition, any permitting action regarding the MMAC must insure that operational and emissions limitations regarding this equipment, and any other emissions sources, are federally and State enforceable, and that the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) and local air quality are protected.

We trust that our response to your request is helpful, and should you have any questions or require further assistance on this matter, please contact me at (214) 665-7250, or Rick Barrett of my staff at (214) 665-7227.

Sincerely yours,

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