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RE: Negative Declaration for 40 CFR Part 51, Subpart BB – Data Requirements for Characterizing Air Quality for the Primary SO2 NAAQS

Dear Mr. Spaulding,

This letter is to notify the EPA that no applicable sources of SO₂, as defined in 40 CFR §51.1200, are located within the state of Vermont, and therefore the requirements of §51.1203 are not applicable to the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Air Quality and Climate Division. At this time, Vermont also declines to characterize air quality in areas beyond those required to be characterized in the rule.

According to the most recently available annual emissions data, the largest source of SO_2 located in Vermont is Agrimark, Inc. emitting 157.57 tons of SO_2 in 2014. Therefore, even the largest source of SO_2 within the state is well below the applicability threshold of 2,000 tons included in the rule.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions regarding this determination.

Sincerely

Heidi Hales, Director Air Quality and Climate Division

Cc: David Conroy, Air Programs Branch Chief