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Jeaneanne Gettle, Regional Administrator  
U.S. EPA Region 4  
Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center  
61 Forsyth Street, SW  
Atlanta, GA 30303-8960

Re: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's ("EPA") Notice: Update of PM<sub>2.5</sub> Data from T640/T640X PM Mass Monitors, 89 Fed. Reg. 42,874 (May 16, 2024)

Dear Administrator Gettle:

The Kentucky Division for Air Quality (Division) respectfully submits the following comments on EPA's Notice: Update of PM<sub>2.5</sub> Data from T640/T640X PM Mass Monitors.<sup>1</sup> The Division has reviewed the attached document created by personnel of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division, and agrees that the algorithm for corrections for T-640 data is inaccurate and still biases to be high. The Division requests that EPA readjust the data based on correct calculations. The Division supports having the most accurate data available for use by states and the public.

Additionally, the Division requests EPA to update the data with correct numbers as expeditiously as possible as this information is necessary for states to make initial area designations for the PM<sub>2.5</sub> NAAQS. States have already lost almost 4 months of the short 12-month window for initial area designation recommendations as data is still unavailable.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment, for further clarification, please feel free to contact me at Michael.Kennedy@ky.gov or 502-782-6997.

Sincerely,

Michael Kennedy, PE  
Director, Division for Air Quality

Attachments

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<sup>1</sup> 89 Fed. Reg. 42,874.