

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
Department of Energy and Environment

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Air & Radiation Division (3AD00)  
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Philadelphia, PA 19103

**RE: Requesting EPA to exclude ozone data in the District on June 1-2 and June 29, 2023, due to exceptional wildfire smoke**

Dear Division Director Fernandez:

On behalf of the District of Columbia (District), I thank you for the opportunity to submit these two demonstrations that wildfires caused exceptional events in the District for ozone on June 1, 2, and 29, 2023, as defined by Clean Air Act § 319 (b).

A Notice of Public Hearing and Public Comment Period was posted in the *D.C. Register* on January 26, 2023 (68 DCR 008218). One comment was received during the comment period. DOEE also provided pre-engagement drafts of the exceptional event demonstrations to EPA, which served as DOEE's initial notification of intent to submit a demonstration.

Enclosed are the following:

- The Exceptional Event Demonstration for June 1-2, 2023;
- The Exceptional Event Demonstration for June 29, 2023;
- The public hearing and comment period notice;
- Comment letter from Brenda Lee Richardson; and
- Public hearing officer certification.

Your expeditious review and approval of this exceptional event demonstration is requested. Please contact Ms. Hannah Ashenafi, Associate Director, Air Quality Division, at (202) 724-7650, if you have any questions concerning this demonstration and the enclosed documentation.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Director, Environmental Services Administration, DOEE

Enclosures:5

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