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Dear Ms. Sgamma:

This relates to the July 30, 2013 email from Alyson Meyer Gould of the firm Holsinger Law, LLC, Denver, CO (www.holsingerlaw.com) regarding an "Information Quality Act Request for Correction of Information" about U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) publication titled "Modeling ecological minimum requirements for distribution of greater sage-grouse leks: implications for population connectivity across their western range, U.S.A." Information related to this request can be viewed on our Web page at http://www.usgs.gov/info_qual/greater_sage-grouse_leks.html.

This letter is to inform you that we will need additional time beyond the 60 calendar days indicated in our August 8 letter to complete the evaluation and review of your request. We anticipate sending you a final response within an additional 60 days or by November 29, 2013. We will let you know if additional time beyond this is needed.

Thank you. We appreciate your patience.

Sincerely,

RK Katsa, Deputy Dir., OSQI
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