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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.

We are informing you that we will need to extend the time for responding to your request beyond what was indicated in our March 24 letter. The extra time is needed to obtain additional Department of the Interior reviews of our draft response. We anticipate sending a final response within an additional 60 days. We will let you know if additional time beyond this is needed.

Thank you. We appreciate your continued patience.

Sincerely,

Alan D. Thornhill

Director

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