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Dear Mr. Kurfirst:

This is in reply to your May 15 and May 31, 2013, emails regarding two requests for correction of information about U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) publications on the same subject. Information related to your two requests, as well as links to the USGS publications you cited, may be viewed on our Web page at http://www.usgs.gov/info_qual/coal_tar_sealants.html.

This letter is to inform you that we will need additional time beyond the 60 calendar days indicated in our May 23 letter to complete the evaluation and review of your two requests, which as we stated in our June 7 letter, will be evaluated and reviewed simultaneously. We anticipate sending you a final response within an additional 60 days or by mid-September, 2013, but will let you know if additional time beyond this is needed.

Thank you. We appreciate your patience.

Sincerely,

Alan D. Thornhill, Ph.D.

Director

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