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Dear Mr. Kurfirst:

This is in reply to your May 15, 2013 email regarding an "Information Quality Act Request for Correction of Information" about U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) publications at our Web site titled Coal Tar Sealants Largest Source of PAHs in Lakes (http://water.usgs.gov/nawqa/home_maps/sealcoat.html) and a related Press Release with the same title (<http://www.usgs.gov/newsroom/article.asp?ID=2651>).

Please consider this reply as the official notification of USGS receipt of your request for information correction. We will be following the USGS guidelines at http://www.usgs.gov/info_qual to evaluate your request. Within 60 calendar days of receipt, and after the appropriate science discipline has completed their evaluation of your request, you will be notified of our response. We will inform you if additional time beyond the 60 days is needed to respond.

If you have any questions, please contact me by email (rkotra@usgs.gov).

Sincerely,

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