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Dear Dr. LeHuray:

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) received an April 8, 2014 email from Mr. Leonard S. Kurfirst of Surdyk & Baker on behalf of the Pavement Coatings Technology Council, subject: "Appeal to the USGS Response to two Requests for Correction of Information Submitted under U.S. Geological Survey Information Quality Guidelines." Documentation about the requests, including the appeal and the USGS response that was appealed, may be viewed on our Web page at [http://www.usgs.gov/info\\_qual/coal\\_tar\\_sealants.html](http://www.usgs.gov/info_qual/coal_tar_sealants.html).

This is to inform you that we will need to further extend the time for responding to the appeal request beyond what was indicated in our February 6, 2015 letter. Review of the draft USGS response by the appropriate Bureau, Department of the Interior, and Office of Management and Budget officials is still in progress. We anticipate sending you a response to the appeal within 90 days, but will let you know if additional time beyond this is needed.

We appreciate your continued patience.

Sincerely,

Alan D. Thornhill  
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