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Dear Mr. Ruch:

This acknowledges U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) receipt of your May 18, 2016, Request for Correction of Information submitted under the USGS Information Quality Guidelines. The request regards USGS Scientific Investigation Report 2015–5075: *Median Nitrate Concentrations in Groundwater in the New Jersey Highlands Region Estimated Using Regression Models and Land-Surface Characteristics* (http://pubs.usgs.gov/sir/2015/5075/).

We will be following the USGS guidelines at http://www.usgs.gov/info_qual to evaluate the request and within 90 calendar days of its receipt, you will be notified of our response. We will inform you if additional time beyond the 90 days is needed to respond.

Sincerely,

Rama K. Kotra
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