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Mr. Steve H. Bullard, President  
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Nacogdoches, Texas 75962-6109

Dear Mr. Bullard:

Thank you for your letter of November 6, 2014, to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Gina McCarthy regarding the EPA's work on biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary sources. The Administrator asked that I respond on her behalf.

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The peer reviewed literature you provided is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to engaging with NAUFRP as we continue advancing the Agency's technical understanding of the assessment of biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary sources.

Sincerely,

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Paul M. Gunning  
Director, Climate Change Division

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Mr. James A. Allen, President-Elect  
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Flagstaff, Arizona 86011-5018

Dear Mr. Allen:

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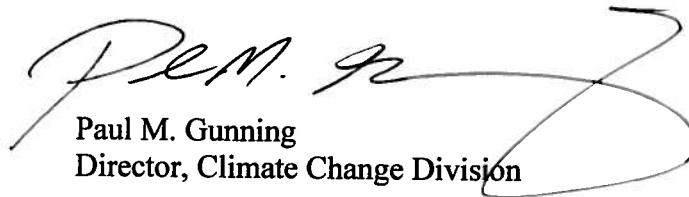
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Dear Mr. Alavalapati:

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