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B. Kent Burton Sage Grouse Coalition c/o 2600 Virginia Avenue, N.W. Suite 505 Washington, D.C. 20037

Dear Mr. Burton:

Thank you for your request for correction dated March 8, 2010, under the Information Quality Act of the 2005 Final Listing Determination for the greater sage grouse. As you have indicated in your cover letter, the request is identical to one submitted to the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) by the Sage Grouse Coalition in May 2009. The Service responded to that request for correction on August 13, 2009, indicating that a response to your request was duplicative of the process of completing a new status review and 12-month finding under order of the U.S. District Court. Further, you indicate that your reason for resubmitting the correction request is that you failed to meet the appeal deadline for your May 2009 request. Your failure to meet the appeal deadline does not impart a responsibility on the Service to revisit its earlier decision.

The Service rejects the March 8, 2010, request for correction because it is duplicative of an earlier Information Quality Act request that you submitted in May 2009 and is unduly burdensome on the agency because the Service has already responded to that request.

If you disagree with the position presented in this response, you may appeal to the Director within 21 calendar days of the date of this response. The appeal must be addressed to:



Correspondence Control Unit Attention: Information Quality Correction Request Processing U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 1849 C Street, N.W., Mail Stop 3238-MIB Washington, D.C. 20240

Sincerely,

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