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Honorable Mathew Mead
Governor of Wyoming
State Capitol, 200 West 24th Street
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002

Dear Governor Mead:

I am pleased to confirm that, after careful review and consideration of your management plan, State statutes, and Commission regulations, we have determined that Wyoming's revised regulatory framework for management of gray wolves is adequate to support delisting of wolves in Wyoming from the Endangered Species Act.

Therefore, we will be finalizing our October 5, 2011, proposal to remove the gray wolf in Wyoming from the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife.

Thank you again for your outstanding leadership on this issue.

Sincerely,


DIRECTOR