



Air Permits Update: 2025

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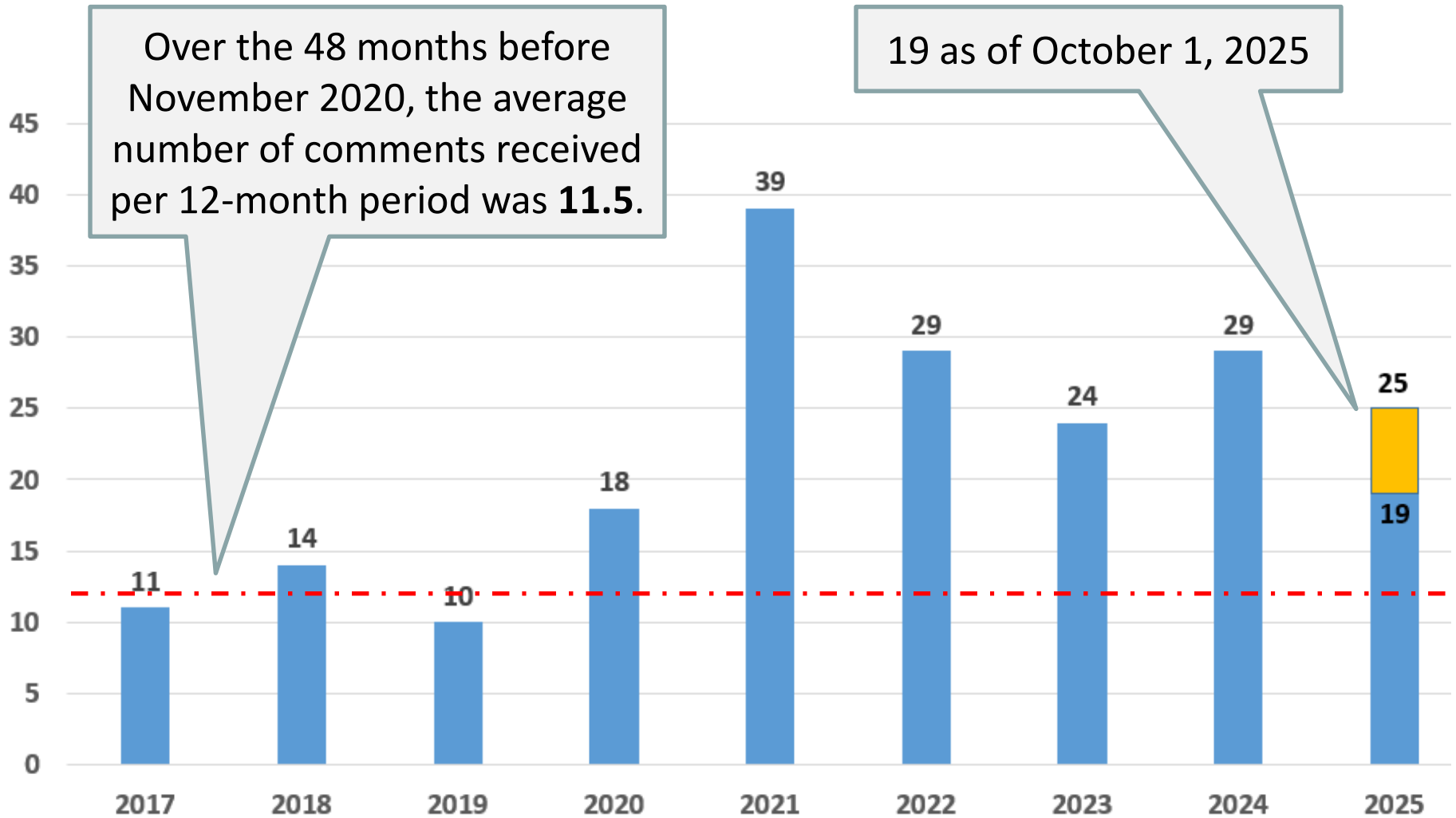
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Public Comments

Number of Proposed Permit Actions Receiving Comments





Public Comments

Parishes (2024 and 2025 only):

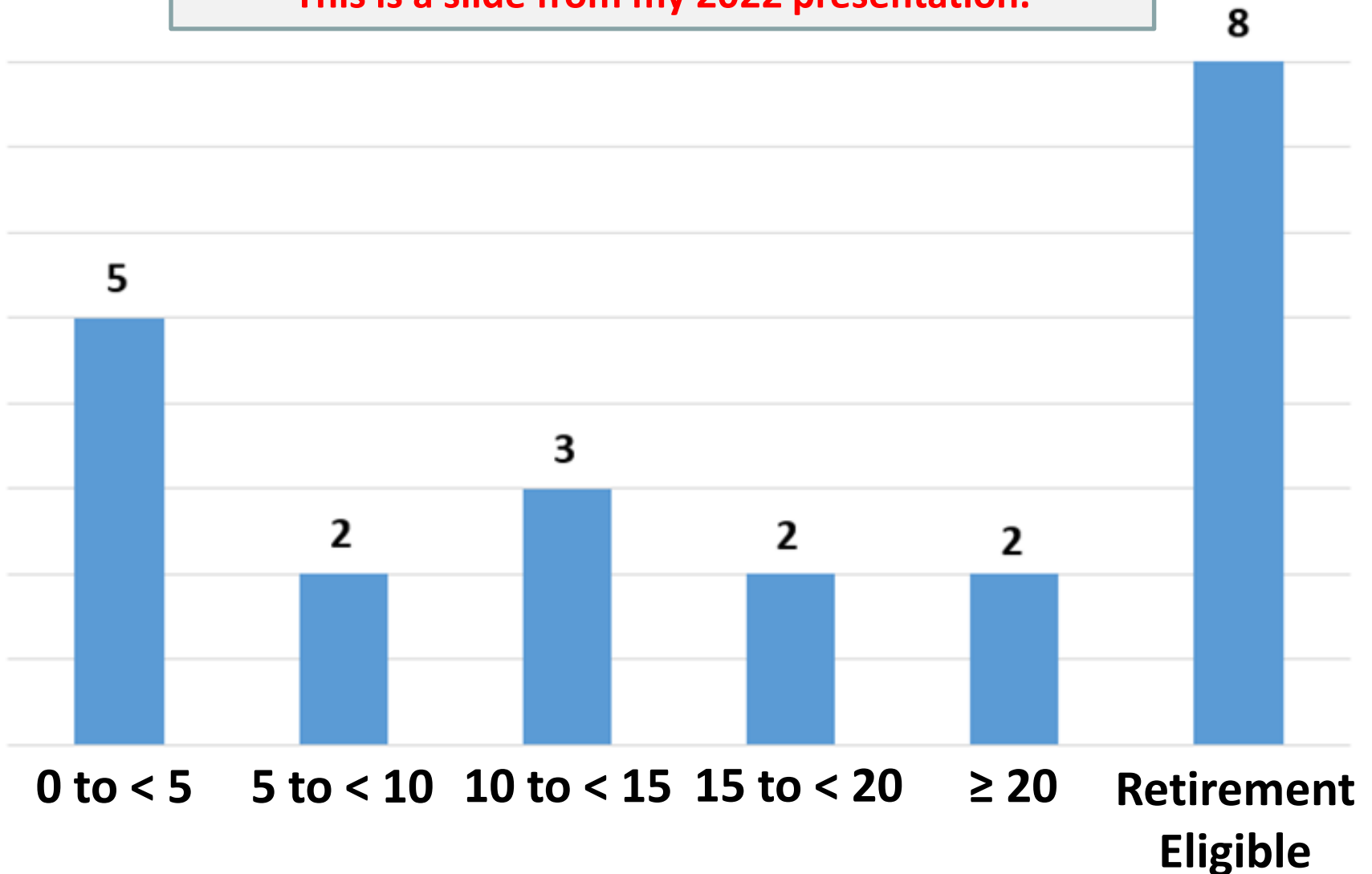
- Calcasieu (19)
- Cameron (5)
- Beauregard (5)
- Ascension (5)
- St. James (4)
- Iberville, St. Bernard, St. Charles, & Ouachita (2 each)
- Jefferson & St. Martin (1 each)



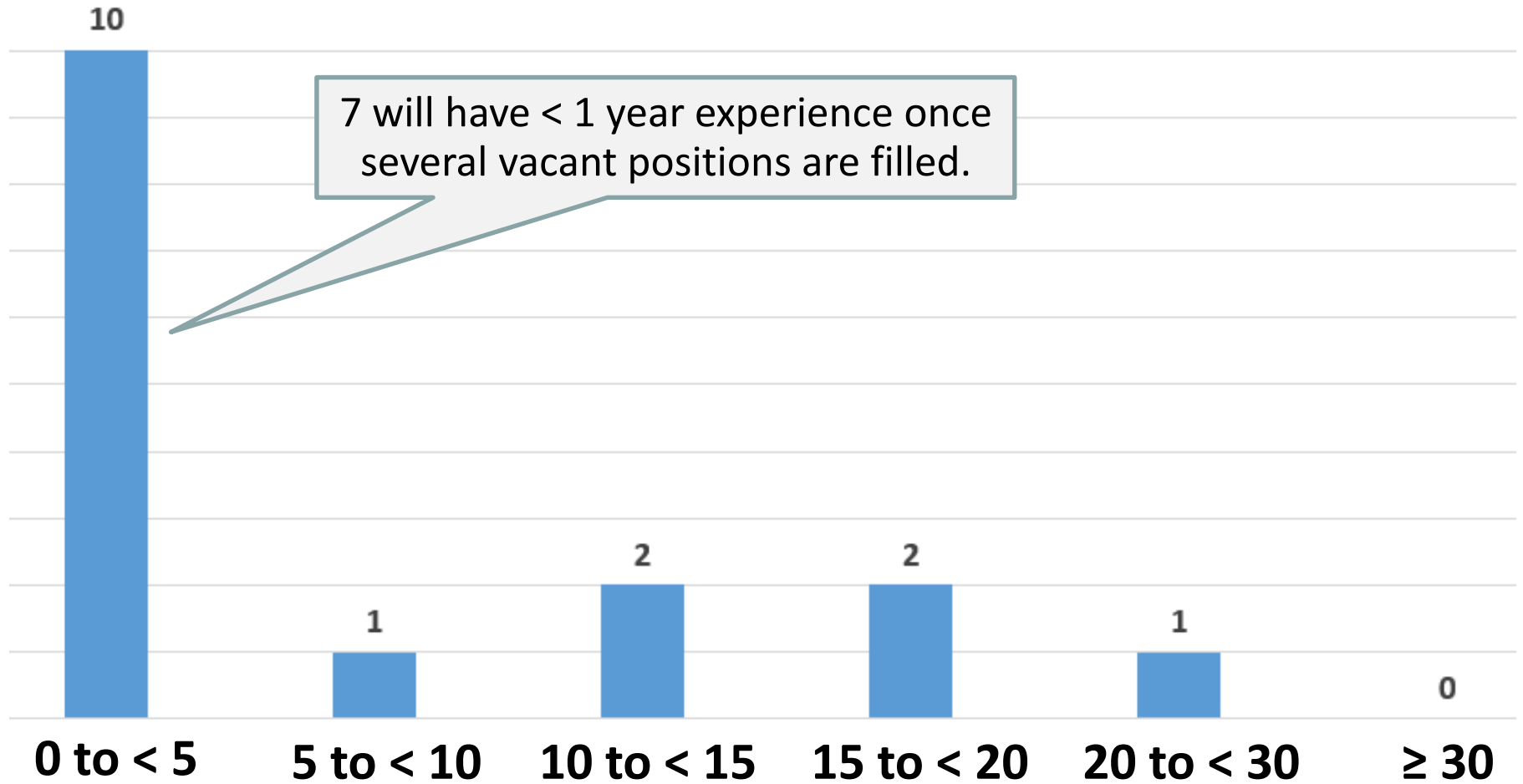
Air Permits Division Staffing

LDEQ Experience of Current ECS Permit Writers (Years)

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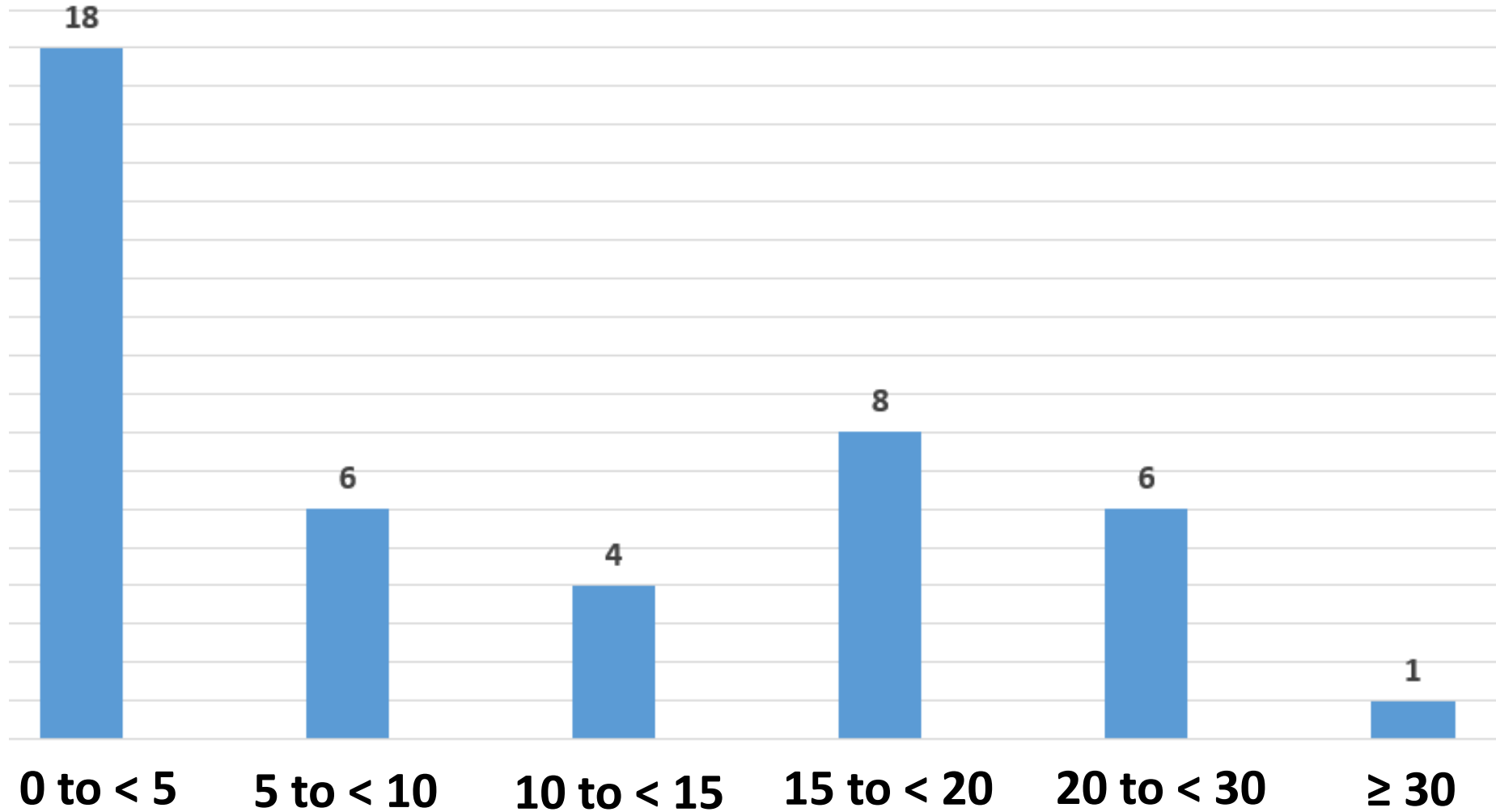
Manufacturing Section (Non-Supervisory) (16)



Petrochemical Section (Non-Supervisory) (18)



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ECS Qualifications

Environmental Chemical Specialist (ECS) Qualifications

- Previously, a degree in chemical or mechanical engineering was required.
- Currently, the minimum qualifications are a:
 - Bachelor's degree in an engineering field; or
 - Master's degree in an engineering field or a chemical or physical science field.



Delegation of Authority

On June 23, 2025, EPA proposed to update LDEQ's delegation of authority to implement and enforce certain standards under 40 CFR 60, 61, and 63 (90 FR 26482).

- Not yet promulgated.



2024 PM2.5 NAAQS Designations

- LDEQ's recommendations:
 - Caddo: Unclassifiable
 - Calcasieu: Attainment
 - WBR: Attainment *
- * Based on exceptional event demonstrations
- EPA should make designations by no later than February 6, 2026.
 - No 120-day letter from EPA (was due October 9).



Questions / Comments?

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