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The Honorable Henry A. Waxman  
Chairman  
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Waxman:

Thank you for your letter dated September 20, 2007 to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Stephen Johnson requesting a response to your Committee's concerns regarding the Agency's implementation of the Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program (EDSP). Because my office is responsible for the Agency's chemical risk management program, I have responded to the Committee's questions. My responses are provided in the attached document.

Please be assured that EPA is committed to using the best available science to complete the validation of EDSP assays as soon as possible so that the testing phase of the EDSP may be initiated.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact me or your staff may call Ms. Christina Moody, in EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, at 202-564-0260.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James B. Gulliford".

James B. Gulliford  
Assistant Administrator

Enclosures