

Mr. Shantora: It has come to my attention that the North American Commission on Environmental Cooperation is preparing to release a report relating to toxic chemicals and children's health issues in North America for the year 2000, and that this report may contain inaccurate mercury emissions data for ATOFINA Petrochemicals, Inc.'s Port Arthur, Texas refinery. It is my understanding that you have been provided with an explanation regarding the reason the initial mercury emission data for year 2000 was reported incorrectly as well as confirmation that ATOFINA submitted revised mercury emissions data to USEPA in May, 2002. I also have confirmed that the agency's year 2000 Facility Report for the Port Arthur refinery reflects the corrected mercury emissions number of 164 lbs/years.

The purpose of this note is to request confirmation that any draft or final report released by your organization that references mercury emissions from ATOFINA's Port Arthur, Texas refinery will reflect the corrected emission numbers as reported to USEPA.

If you have any questions concerning this request, you may reach me at the email address or telephone number indicated below. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

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