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FROM:

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of Alternative Toxicological Methods (NICEATM) and Chairman,

Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of

Alternative Toxicological Methods (ICCVAM)

SUBJECT:

ICCVAM Biennial Progress Report (December 2003)

On behalf of the Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods (ICCVAM), we are pleased to provide you with a prepublication copy of the ICCVAM Biennial Progress Report, NIH Publication No. 04-4509. The ICCVAM Authorization Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-545) requires the ICCVAM to prepare biennial reports on its progress and to make these available to the public. This report describes activities carried out by ICCVAM and NICEATM from December 2001 to December 2003.

We welcome your suggestions at any time on how we might improve the usefulness of this report. Published copies of the Biennial Report will be available at the March SACATM meeting. The announcement of the availability of the Biennial Report was published in the *Federal Register* on February 19, 2004 (69 FR 7777).

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