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Toxicological Methods (NICEATM), and Chairman, Interagency

Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods (ICCVAM)

SUBJECT:

Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative

Toxicological Methods (ICCVAM) Mission, Vision and Strategic Priorities

On behalf of the ICCVAM, we are pleased to provide you with ICCVAM's recently developed Mission, Vision, and Strategic Priorities (Attachment 1). ICCVAM developed these during its January 7-8, 2004 strategic planning meeting. The document provides a concise overview of ICCVAM's strategic direction over the next 3-5 years, which is in accordance with ICCVAM's purposes and duties in the ICCVAM Authorization Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-545 - Attachment 2.)

A Strategic Map (Figure 1) provides the six strategic priorities that ICCVAM considers necessary to strengthen ICCVAM's impact nationally and internationally. For each strategic priority, there is an accompanying brief rationale and listing of the strategic objectives that should be pursued. ICCVAM is currently in the process of developing specific implementation plans for each of the strategic priorities.

This document will be discussed at the March SACATM meeting, where we will welcome your comments and suggestions. We especially invite suggestions that can be considered by ICCVAM as the Committee develops specific implementation plans, which we anticipate providing at the Fall 2004 SACATM meeting.

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Attachments (2)

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