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Dear (Name removed)

This is in response to your letter dated January 28, 2005, addressed to Mr. Frank Frodyma of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) Directorate of Evaluation and Analysis. In your letter you request that the Agency, under the Data Quality Act, make corrections for the information used to develop the proposed standard for Assigned Protection Factors (APFs).

After reviewing your letter, we note that the information provided is already contained in the APF Docket (H-049C). OSHA is presently developing a final rule for assigned protection factors. The final rule will be based on the information in the record. Therefore, OSHA has determined that at this stage of the rulemaking, corrections to the information used to develop the proposed standard are not warranted and your request is denied.

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Acting Assistant Secretary