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Mr. William L. Kovacs  
Vice-President  
Environment, Technology & Regulatory Affairs  
U.S. Chamber of Commerce  
1615 H. Street, N.W.  
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Re: Interim Response to Your Request for  
Reconsideration Regarding Request for  
Reconsideration, RFR #04019A

Dear Mr. Kovacs:

I want to provide you with a status update regarding your April 11, 2005, Request for Reconsideration (RFR #04019A) submitted under the Environmental Protection Agency's Information Quality Guidelines. In the past eighteen months, EPA has taken actions to enhance the objectivity, utility, transparency and integrity of several of the EPA-disseminated models and databases referenced in the Chamber Request for Reconsideration (RFR). Before issuing the final response to the Chamber, the Agency needs to finalize its position on one remaining issue raised in your RFR. We hope to complete our assessment of the feasibility of this additional action within the next ninety days.

We appreciate your patience in allowing EPA to respond to this RFR in a manner that reflects our commitment to ensuring that the quality of our disseminated information is appropriate for its intended use. If you have any questions about this interim response, please contact me at (202) 564-6830.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Reggie Cheatham".

Reggie Cheatham  
Director, Quality Staff