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Re: Request for Reconsideration, RFR #04019A: Interim Response

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 three months, EPA reviewed the actions taken in response to the Chamber's concerns and revised its response to ensure the information being presented was objective and transparent. EPA also completed its final internal review of the revised response.

The Agency's revised response is with the Office of Management and Budget under their Information Quality Act oversight role. We appreciate your patience in allowing EPA to ensure this response addresses the concerns raised in the Chamber RFR. If you have any questions about this interim response, please contact me at (202) 564-6830.

Sincerely,

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