

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE

Mr. Gary N. Weinreich Environmental Services Manager BMW Manufacturing Corp. P. O. Box 11000 Spartanburg, SC 29304-4100

Re: Interim Response on Request for Correction (RFC) regarding Enforcement and Compliance History Online database pursuant to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Information Quality Guidelines (IQG RFC #7421)

Dear Mr. Weinreich:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) is in receipt of your February 7, 2003 Request for Correction (Request) submitted pursuant to the Information Quality Guidelines (IQG). EPA is preparing a response but will require additional time to coordinate Agency review of the response due to current staffing needs. A response to your Request will be transmitted once the appropriate offices have finished review of the letter. We anticipate that a response will be forwarded to you within 30 days of your receipt of this letter.

The Agency understands that BMW is now in compliance with a compliance schedule established in the recent Consent Agreement issued by the State of South Carolina. As a result, the facility is no longer designated a significant non-complier by the Agency and, thus, upon the next refresh of the Enforcement and Compliance History Online database (ECHO) in May 2003, this change in the BMW facility's status should be reflected in ECHO.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact David Nielsen at (202) 564-4022.

Sincerely,

Walker B. Smith, Director Office of Regulatory Enforcement

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cc: Carl W. Flesher, Vice President BMW Manufacturing Corporation

> R. Lewis Shaw, Deputy Commissioner Environmental Quality Control South Carolina Department of Health & Environmental Control

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