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Re: Request for Reconsideration – Risk

Assessment for Metam Sodium (RFR

#05004A)

Dear Ms. Bergeson:

I want to provide you with a status update regarding your October 11, 2005, Request for Reconsideration (RFR #05004A) submitted under the Environmental Protection Agency's Information Quality Guidelines. These guidelines state that EPA's goal is to respond to each request within 90 days of receipt, either by providing a decision on the request or if the request will require more than 90 days to resolve, informing the requestor that more time is required.

EPA is preparing the response to your request but will require additional time to coordinate review of the response. We anticipate that a response will be forwarded to you within an additional 90 days. Thank you for your interest in environmental information quality.

Sincerely yours,

Reggie Cheatham

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