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OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

Mr. David A. Smith GDT Corporation 2210 E. Marconi Phoenix, Arizona 85022

RE: RFR #12385A, Bromate

Dear Mr. Smith:

I would like to take this opportunity to provide a status on your correspondence of September 23, 2004, that referenced the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) response to your Request for Correction (RFC #12385). Although not explicitly stated as a "Request for Reconsideration" (RFR), the Agency has determined that the appropriate way to respond to your letter is to treat it as an RFR and review the matter under the Information Quality Guidelines (IQGs) Executive Panel appeal process.

EPA will convene an Executive Panel to evaluate your request and will respond in accordance with the process outlined in the IQGs (Section 8.7, page 34 of that document, found at http://www.epa.gov/quality/informationguidelines). The Agency's goal is to respond within 90 days of the date of this letter, but the deliberative and thorough response process can require extending the deadline. If you have any questions prior to receiving the response, please feel free to contact me at (202) 564-6830.

Sincerely,

Reggie Cheatham Director, Quality Staff