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The Honorable Henry A. Waxman
Chairman
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6143

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for the letter you sent on August 3, 2007 to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator regarding EPA's proposed rulemaking titled: "Prevention of Significant Deterioration: Refinements of Increment Modeling Procedures." The Administrator has asked me to respond to your letter.

Your August 3 letter requests a sixty-day extension of the public comment period which closed on August 6, 2007. In addition, you asked EPA to provide to the Committee all internal comments from any EPA regional offices on all drafts and all comments on all drafts of this proposal received through the interagency process.

After considering your request and all other requests received for a comment period extension, EPA is reopening the public comment period for 30 days from publication of a notice in the *Federal Register*. We have prepared the notice for the *Federal Register* and expect publication in the near future.

In regards to the internal comments, we are in the process of compiling these documents and we will respond further shortly.

Again, thank you for your letter. I appreciate the opportunity to be of service and trust the information provided is helpful. If you have any further questions, please contact me or your staff may call Ronna Landy, in EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, at (202) 564-3109.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert J. Meyers".

Robert J. Meyers
Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator