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Ms. Angela Styles Administrator Office of Federal Procurement Policy New Executive Office Building, Room 8025 Washington, DC 20503

Dear Ms. Styles:

In response to your memo of November 1, 2002, we have enclosed the Department of Defense (DoD) Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Section 6002 report for Fiscal Year 2002.

Our data gathering effort was more extensive this year than any past year; however, the quality and quantity of data provided in the report varies among the Components. We attribute this variability to a number of factors, including the new report format and the first-time use of the Federal Procurement Data System as a data source for this report. Also, we found our ability to track the Indicator Items in Section 2 was limited by the nature and organization of data tracked by the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) and General Services Administration (GSA). We will work with DLA, GSA and the Executive Order 13101 Reporting Work Group to achieve better alignment of the indicator items, products typically purchased by Defense facilities and the capabilities of existing data tracking systems.

This year's report format was a substantial improvement over past years. We appreciate your support in leading the Executive Order 13101 Reporting Work Group through the revision process, and we look forward to making additional refinements to improve the utility of the reporting process to managers across the government.

Should you have additional questions, please contact Mr. John Coho, ODUSD(I&E)EQ, (703) 604-1630, <u>John.Coho@OSD.mil</u>, or Mr. David Boyd, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP, (703) 697-6710, David.Boyd@OSD.mil. '

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