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OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

Stephen P. Risotto, Senior Director Chemical Products and Technology Division American Chemistry Council 700 Second Street, NE Washington, DC 20002

Dear Mr. Risotto:

I would like to provide an update on the status of your Information Quality Guidelines Request for Reconsideration (RFR #15003A) regarding the assessment of phthalic anhydride, as documented in the Toxic Substances Control Act Work Plan for Chemical Assessments received at the EPA on December 23, 2015. As outlined in Section 8. 7 of the *Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality. Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Information Disseminated by the Environmental Protection Agency,* an Executive Panel was convened and has conducted a thorough review of your information quality concerns.

Due to the complexities raised in your request, the quality process in checking and verifying is taking longer than typically anticipated. The response is currently in process of being finalized. We anticipate that a final response will be sent to you within 30 business days (April 26, 2017), if not sooner.

Sincerely,

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