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Mr. Bryan L. Brendle
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Dear Mr. Brendle:

This letter is the response to your March 22, 2010, request, on behalf of the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM), that EPA reconsider its decision (January 15, 2009) to defer consideration of the NAM Request for Reconsideration (RFR) 08001A. Consideration of this RFR was deferred due to pending litigation related to the revised National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for ozone. As you are aware, the litigation in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit regarding the NAAQS for ozone is still pending. The EPA Information Quality Guidelines (IQG) are not intended to contravene any legal requirements that may apply to particular agency determinations or other actions.¹ Consequently, EPA will continue to defer consideration of NAM RFR 08001A at this time.

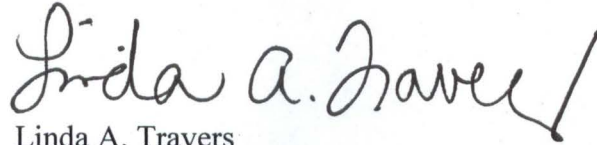
Your March 22, 2010, correspondence will be posted on the EPA IQG Web Site as related correspondence for RFR 08001A.

If at the conclusion of the litigation your information quality concerns have not been addressed, you may resubmit this request. Please send your written request to the EPA IQG Staff via mail (Information Quality Guidelines Processing Staff, Mail Code 2811R, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20460); electronic mail (quality@epa.gov); or fax (202-565-2441). Additional

¹ Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Information Disseminated by the Environmental Protection Agency, EPA, 2002. (67 FR 63657), pg

information about how to submit a request is listed on the EPA IQG Web site (www.epa.gov/quality/informationguidelines).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda A. Travers" followed by a large, stylized flourish.

Linda A. Travers
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