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OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY
AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

Ms. Eileen Conneely
American Chemistry Council
High Phthalates Panel
700 2nd Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Ms. Conneely:

I am writing to confirm that, on May 24, 2019, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) received a request from ExxonMobil Chemical Company, Evonik Corporation, and Teknor Apex through the American Chemistry Council's High Phthalates Panel for EPA to conduct a risk evaluation for Diisononyl Phthalate (DINP), CASRN 28553-12-0 and CASRN 68515-48-0. Consistent with section 6(b)(4) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) and 40 CFR 702.37, EPA provides a process for manufacturers to request the Agency conduct risk evaluations on chemical substances. We appreciate your submission.

Your request for a risk evaluation of DINP has been determined to be facially complete, in accordance with 40 CFR 702.37(e)(1).

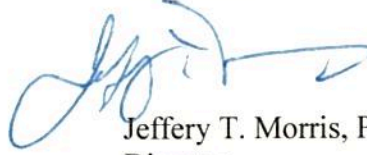
EPA will assess whether the circumstances identified in your request constitute conditions of use under 40 CFR 702.33, and whether those conditions of use warrant inclusion within the scope of a risk evaluation for DINP. EPA will also assess what, if any, additional conditions of use warrant inclusion within the scope of a risk evaluation for the chemical.

A public comment period will be opened on or before August 19, 2019, and comments may be posted for DINP under Docket EPA-HQ-OPPT-2018-0436. This comment period will be no less than 45 calendar days to allow the public to submit comments and other information relevant to the requested risk evaluation.

Within 60 days of the end of the public comment period, EPA will review the request, along with any additional information received during the comment period, to determine whether it meets applicable regulatory criteria and requirements. At the end of this 60-day period, EPA will notify you of its decision and the bases for granting or denying the request. The Agency will also notify the public of its decision at that time.

If you have any questions regarding your request, please feel free to contact Darlene Leonard of my staff at leonard.darlene@epa.gov or 202-566-0516.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jeffery T. Morris". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jeffery T. Morris, Ph.D.

Director

Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics

cc: Tanya Hodge Mottley
Darlene Leonard
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