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Via First Class Mail and Electronic Mail

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Re:

New Bedford Harbor Superfund Site—Second Modification of Effective Date of Unilateral Administrative Order for Remedial Design, Remedial Action, and Operation and Maintenance (U.S. EPA Docket No. CERCLA-01-2012-0045)

Dear Mr. Gill-Austern:

Enclosed please find a copy of the executed Second Modification of Effective Date of Unilateral Administrative Order for Remedial Design, Remedial Action, and Operation and Maintenance, U.S. EPA Docket No. CERCLA-01-2012-0045 ("Order"). This is the second modification to the effective date of the Order. The first modification was executed on June 18, 2012, and changed the effective date of the Order from sixty (60) days after the date of signature of the Order to the specific date of July 17, 2012. This second modification changes the Order's effective date from July 17, 2012 to July 27, 2012.

Because AVX Corporation is currently engaged in mediation with the United States and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to resolve the parties' dispute, including AVX's liabilities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, at the Site, EPA is now extending the effective date of the Order to provide additional time for the parties to determine whether a settlement can be reached. Please contact Man Chak Ng, EPA Senior Enforcement Counsel, at (617) 918-1785, with any questions.

Sincerely,

fames T. Owens, III, Director

Office of Site Remediation and Restoration

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