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From: Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer
Sent: Thur 1/25/2018 9:02:54 PM
Subject: Re: Chloroprene Discussion

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On Jan 25, 2018, at 3:05 PM, Gray, David <gray.david@epa.gov> wrote:

> Yes - we will plan to attach the final letter and attachment. Are you still planning to sign it today?
> David
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> Sent from my iPad
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> On Jan 25, 2018, at 2:01 PM, Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer <Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov> wrote:
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>> This looks fine with me. Would you prefer to attach the final letter instead of the draft?Cmts from others?
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>> On Jan 25, 2018, at 2:18 PM, Gray, David <gray.david@epa.gov> wrote:
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>>> How is this? Comments welcome.
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>>> Chuck Carr Brown, Ph.D.
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>>> Secretary
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>>> Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality
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>>> Post Office Box 4301

Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821

Dear Secretary Brown:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has attached a copy of its draft response to the Request for Correction (RFC) for the Toxicological Review of Chloroprene (CAS No. 126-99-8) In Support of Summary Information on the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) presented by Denka Performance Elastomer LLC (DPE). This response is expected to be issued this week and I wanted you to have a copy.

EPA appreciates the efforts that the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) has extended to DPE to reduce the emissions from the LaPlace facility. The completion of four major construction projects to control the chloroprene emissions within 12 months was brought about with LDEQ's guidance under its Agreed Order on Consent issued to DPE. We look forward to seeing the results of lowered emissions in the ambient air this year and understand from Denka that work is being completed this month. We will continue to collect ambient air samples in the community and re-assess conditions after several months of improved operations.

While EPA has concluded its review of the Request for Correction, we would DPE has indicated that it may undertake a new assessment of chloroprene, incorporating new research information. We are open to supporting DPE should they decide to undertake a new assessment of chloroprene. Our team approximates that the assessment could be completed within 6 months and at a cost of approximately $1 million dollars.

If you have any further questions, please contact me at (214) 665-2100, or your staff may contact

Ms. Carmen Assunto, State and Local Government Liaison, at (214) 665-2200.

Sincerely,

Anne L. Idsal

Regional Administrator

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 24, 2018, at 8:52 AM, Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer <Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov> wrote:

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