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SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority to Issue a PCB Disposal Approval

FROM: Linda Vlier Moos, Acting Director /s/
National Program Chemicals Division (7404)

TO: William J. Muszynski, Acting Regional Administrator
EPA Region II

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Therefore, through this memorandum, I am exercising the authority provided in 40 CFR 761.60(i)(1), and authorizing Region II to review and approve as appropriate, the reissuance of a PCB Research and Development Disposal Approval to Syracuse University.

cc: Dan Kraft, Region II DECA/PTSB

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