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THE ADMINISTRATOR

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Dr. Trudy Ann Cameron Chair Advisory Council on Clean Air Compliance Analysis Office of the Science Advisory Board U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Dr. Cameron:

Thank you for writing on behalf of the Advisory Council on Clean Air Compliance Analysis to offer valuable advice on the Environmental Protection Agency's plans for the review of the Revised Analytical Plan for the upcoming Second Prospective Analysis of the Clean Air Act.

I applaud the thoroughness and technical sophistication of your advisory, and I appreciate the Council's ongoing efforts to provide high-quality advice regarding the design and implementation of this important series of studies. Given the substantial scope and depth of the advisory, EPA will respond by taking specific actions to address and implement the report's recommendations through the redirection of our analytical efforts. These analytical changes will be reflected in the first draft of the study report, which will be submitted to the Council for review. In addition, EPA anticipates conducting additional interim consultations with the Council and its subcommittees, during which the project team will describe EPA's efforts to address all the key elements of your advisory.

Again, I appreciate the scientifically rigorous and sound advice provided by the Advisory Council on Clean Air Compliance Analysis, and I look forward to continuing the productive working relationship between the Council and EPA.

Sincerely,

/ Signed /

Michael O. Leavitt