

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

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Dear Ms. Roberts:

I am writing to confirm that on October 21, 2014, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) received your petition requesting that the EPA "initiate a rulemaking to amend the [Toxic Substances Control Act] Section 8 Chemical Data Reporting (CDR) partially exempted chemical list set forth in the [EPA's] regulations at 40 C.F.R. Section 711.6(b)(1)," pursuant to Section 21 of TSCA.

Section 21 of TSCA provides that the Administrator shall either grant or deny a petition within 90 days after the date of filing (January 19, 2015, for your petition). Section 21 further provides that, if the Administrator grants the petition, the Administrator shall promptly commence an appropriate proceeding and that, if the Administrator denies the petition, the Administrator shall publish the reasons for such a denial in the Federal Register.

On October 22, 2014, the EPA also received your petition to amend the CDR partially exempted chemical list at 40 C.F.R. Section 711.6(b)(2)(iv).

Both your petitions are under review by the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP), which is responsible for programs under TSCA.

If you have questions relating to these petitions, please contact Loraine Passe by telephone at (202) 564-9064 or by email at passe.loraine@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Wendy Cleland-Hamnett, Director Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics