

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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Ms. Eve Gartner Staff Attorney Earthjustice 48 Wall Street 19<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10005

Dear Ms. Gartner:

We are writing to confirm that on January 6, 2017, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) received your petition pursuant to section 21 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Your petition requests that EPA "issue an order under TSCA section 4, requiring that testing be conducted by manufacturers and processors on the three chemical substances that EPA has identified as the chlorinated phosphate ester cluster of flame retardant chemicals: tris(2-chloroethyl) phosphate ("TCEP") (CAS 115-96-8), 2-Propanol, 1-chloro-, phosphate ("TCPP") (CAS 13674-84-5); and 2-Propanol, 1,3- dichloro-, phosphate ("TDCPP") (CAS 13674-87-8) (together, the "CPE Cluster")."

Section 21 of TSCA provides that the Administrator shall either grant or deny a petition within 90-days after the date of filing (April 6, 2017, 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. Your petition is under review by the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT), which is responsible for programs under TSCA.

If you have questions relating to the petition, please contact Loraine Passe of my staff by telephone at (202) 564-9064 or by email at <a href="mailto:passe.loraine@epa.gov">passe.loraine@epa.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Jeffery T. Morris, Director

Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics

cc: Ms. Veena Singla, NRDC