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Attached is a letter from the Mercaptans/Thiols Council regarding the commitment for the Di-tertiary (C9-C12) Dialkyl Polysulfides Category which is currently sponsored under the HPV Program. We would like to transfer sponsorship to the ICCA Program with US sponsorship.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Elizabeth Hunt  
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RE: Status of Commitment – Di-tertiary (C9-C12) Dialkyl Polysulfides Category

Dear Mr. Hernandez:

This letter is being submitted on behalf of the Mercaptans/Thiols Council (MTC) regarding its commitment for the Di-tertiary (C9-C12) Dialkyl Polysulfides Category under the U.S. HPV Challenge Program. This Category includes the following compounds:

CAS Numbers	Methyl Mercaptans
68425-16-1	di-tertiary nonyl polysulfide
31565-23-8	di-tertiary dodecyl pentasulfide
68583-56-2	di-tertiary dodecyl polysulfides
68425-15-0	

The sponsoring companies of this Category are Arkema Inc. and Chevron Phillips Chemical Company. All prior communication with EPA regarding this Category has been from Dr. Vicente Santa Cruz of Chevron Phillips. The sponsorship of this Category is now being managed under the MTC.

A Test Plan for the Category has been submitted to EPA and we have received comments. We have initiated the proposed physical/chemical testing and will follow-up with EPA when the results are available.

The MTC is also sponsoring three other categories under the International Council of Chemical Associations' (ICCA) Program (MESH Analog, C2-C4 Mercaptans and C8-C12 Mercaptans) with EPA sponsorship. We therefore plan to complete the commitment for the C9-C12 Category under the ICCA Program and would like to request EPA sponsorship.

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If you have questions, please contact me at (540) 751-2093 or via e-mail at ehunt@adelphia.net.

Sincerely,

*Submitted electronically*

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