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OFFICE OF AIR AND RADIATION

Mr. John Engler President and CEO National Association of Manufacturers 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20004-1790

Dear Mr. Engler:

Thank you for your letter of October 9, 2007, filing a Request for Correction (RFC) on behalf of the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) under the US Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Information Quality Guidelines (IQG). In your letter, you request correction of information contained in EPA's July 11, 2007, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) on the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for ozone (72 FR 37818), and in certain scientific documents disseminated by EPA in support of that NPRM.²

As you note in your letter, this RFC was received by the agency during the public comment period on the proposed rule both as a public comment in the rulemaking and as an RFC under the IQG, and will be treated as a public comment on the NPRM. NAM's comments and recommendations as contained in the RFC have been forwarded to the docket for this rulemaking (Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2005-0172), and will be taken into consideration as we move forward in the review process. The Administrator will issue his final decision on the ozone standards by March 12, 2008. At that time, EPA will respond to each of the issues raised in the RFC and other public comments received on the NPRM, either in the preamble to the final rule itself or in the accompanying Response to Comments document which will be placed in the rulemaking docket at the time the final rule is signed.

If you are dissatisfied with this decision, you may submit a Request for Reconsideration (RFR). EPA requests that any such RFR be submitted within 90 days of the date of EPA's response. If you choose to submit a RFR, please send a written request to the EPA Information Quality Guidelines Processing Staff via mail (Information Quality Guidelines Processing Staff, Mail Code 2811R, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania

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¹ Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Information Disseminated by the Environmental Protection Agency, EPA, 2002 (67 FR 63657). http://www.epa.gov/quality/informationguidelines/documents/EPA_InfoQualityGuidelines.pdf

² The NPRM and the supporting scientific documents are available on EPA's website at http://www.epa.gov/ttn/naaqs/standards/ozone/s o3 index.html.

Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460); electronic mail (quality@epa.gov); or fax [202-565-2441]. If you submit a RFR, please reference the request number assigned to the original Request for Correction (RFC #08001). Additional information about how to submit an RFR is listed on the EPA Information Quality Guidelines website at http://www.epa.gov/quality/informationguidelines/.

Again thank you for your letter. If you have additional questions, or require further assistance, please contact Erika Sasser in EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards at 919-541-3889.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Meyers

Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator