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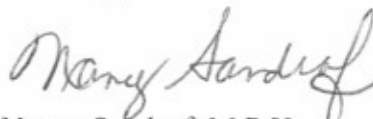
Re: Voluntary Children's Chemical Evaluation Program

Dear Mr. Willis,

I am writing on behalf of the American Chemistry Council's Brominated Flame Retardant Industry Panel (BFRIP) in response to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) August 25, 2005 Data Needs Decision Letter concerning decabromodiphenyl ether ("decaBDE" -- CAS No. 1163-19-5) in the context of the Agency's Voluntary Children's Chemical Evaluation Program (VCCEP). 65 Fed. Reg. 81700 (December 26, 2000). The Panel has reviewed the Agency's letter with interest and submits this timely, voluntary commitment to prepare a Tier II submission for the VCCEP Pilot Program. The Panel anticipates that it will begin to develop information for its Tier II submission during 2006.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (703) 741-5605 or [nancy\\_sandrof@americanchemistry.com](mailto:nancy_sandrof@americanchemistry.com).

Sincerely,



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