## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT

## **MEMORANDUM**

SUBJECT: Applicability of the Emission Offset Policy

FROM: Director Division of Stationary Source Enforcement

TO: Jack Chicca, Chief Air Programs Branch - Region V

This memo is in response to a telephone conversation between Mr. Thayio of your staff and Rich Biondi of DSSE. Mr. Thayio requested a determination as to whether major sources of methyl-chloroform are subject to the Interpretative Ruling (IR).

After consulting with Kent Berry in the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) it was determined that 1) methyl-chloroform is not considered as a volatile organic compound, 2) it does not contribute to the formation of photochemical oxidants and, 3) it is therefore exempt from the requirements of the IR.

If you have any additional questions or comments, please contact Rich Biondi (755-2564) of my staff.

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