UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711

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Mr. William Davis LA/OMA Project Post Office Box 4998 Whittier, California 90607

Dear Mr. Davis:

In our telephone conversation of September 15, 1978, you asked whether the combustion of municipal sewage sludge would qualify as "municipal solid waste" under the exemption provided in Section IV.B. of the draft changes to EPA's Emission Offset Interpretative Ruling. As defined in the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, sewage sludge would qualify as solid waste under RCRA and the Interpretative Ruling. Therefore, the project you described would apparently qualify for the exempt under Section IV.B. of the draft changes to the Interpretative Ruling.

Sincerely yours,

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