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OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY
AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

Ms. Rebecca Morley
National Center for Healthy Housing
10320 Little Patuxent Parkway, Ste. 500
Columbia, MD 21044

Dear Ms. Morley:

I am writing to confirm that on October 31, 2013, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency received your petition requesting that EPA promulgate a rule pursuant to Section 8(d) of the Toxic Substances Control Act requiring property managers, building owners, and contractors disturbing paint on public and commercial buildings to submit to EPA certain information related to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's construction standard for lead.

Your petition has been filed pursuant to TSCA Section 21, which provides that within 90 days after the date of filing, or January 28, 2014 for your petition, the Administrator shall either grant or deny the petition. Section 21 of TSCA further provides that if the Administrator grants such petition, then the Administrator shall promptly commence an appropriate proceeding. Section 21 of TSCA also provides that if the Administrator denies such petition, then the Administrator shall publish in the Federal Register the Administrator's reasons for such denial.

If you have any questions relating to your petition or EPA's guidelines for TSCA Section 21 petitions, please contact Michelle Price of my staff at (202) 566-0744 or price.michelle@epa.gov.

Sincerely,


Wendy Cleland-Hamnett
Director
Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics

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