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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Factual Correction to Statements Made in the Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee (PPDC) Transcript

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TO: File

This memo serves as an addendum to the attached Chair Certification for the Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee (PPDC) meeting transcripts. Per the Chair Certification, the meeting transcripts for November 1-2, 2017, are complete and accurately reflect the discussions and decisions of said meeting. However, statements made on November 2nd, 2017, (Day Two) by Kevin Keaney, Chief of the Certification and Worker Protection Branch of the EPA Office of Pesticide Programs' Field and External Affairs Division, were factually inaccurate. These statements, which are primarily on page 102, incorrectly indicate that EPA will be extending the implementation date for the Certification of Pesticide Applicators Rule (C&T). On December 14, 2017, EPA announced via web posting that it would be taking public comment on proposed revisions to the C&T rule by the end of the 2018 fiscal year, and informed the public that the implementation dates in the January 4, 2017, C&T final rule for certifying authorities to submit revised certification plans and for EPA to act on those plans remain in effect, and EPA has no plans to change those implementation dates. This published in the *Federal Register* on December 19, 2017. More information can be found at: <https://www.epa.gov/pesticides/epa-initiates-rulemaking-revise-certain-aspects-agricultural-worker-protection-standard>.