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OFFICE OF
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Dear Manufacturer,

In this letter, we will provide guidance on contacting our offices with questions or issues concerning current engine regulations. We will also provide news of organizational updates and an update to our mailing address.

Over the last year our office, formerly known as the Office of Mobile Sources (OMS), has undergone a substantial reorganization. Consequently, our Office and Division names have changed. The name of our new Office is the Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ). The name of our new Division is the Certification and Compliance Division (CCD). Our Group name, formerly the Engine Compliance Programs Group, is now the Engine Programs Group (EPG).

An important focus of our reorganized structure is to streamline the certification process to the fullest extent possible. We are beginning to implement this concept by establishing a "help desk" for manufacturers to utilize as you have questions or issues concerning current engine certification, production line testing and in-use testing regulations. For questions or issues regarding nonroad small spark-ignition (SI) engines and marine SI engines, please contact Foster Morrison at 202-564-9298, or by email at Morrison.Foster@Epa.Gov. For questions or issues regarding on-highway and nonroad compression-ignition (CI) engines, marine CI engines or locomotive engines, please contact Richard Deadwyler at 202-564-9294, or by email at Deadwyler.Richard@Epa.Gov. We expect that Mr. Morrison and Mr. Deadwyler will be able to answer the vast majority of questions, especially those about routine certification items. Where more complex issues are involved, they will refer or transfer you to a staff engineer who will resolve the issue. We recognize that certain of our engineers have a "history" with specific issues and we will make every effort to assure there is no loss of continuity on these issues.

We continue to request that you use the electronic form, as described in a previous letter and available on our website at "www.epa.gov/otaq/certdat2.htm", for all inquiries in which a formal EPA response is needed (such as when seeking EPA approval, guidance, direction, or opinion). Please continue to ask your questions by completing the electronic form on your personal computer, and e-mailing it to us at "engines.mail@epa.gov" or by mailing a floppy disk with the electronic form.

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In addition to the streamlining concept described above, we have had several changes in personnel. John Guy has been appointed as the Acting Group Manager of the Engines Programs Group. Mitchell Greenberg has been appointed as the Acting Group Manager of the newly created Outreach and Planning Group. Also, Tom Stricker has left the EPA.

Please revise all correspondence to reflect the following organizational structure as well as a new mailing address:

Engine Programs Group
Certification and Compliance Division
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Mail Code 6403J (the mail code is extremely important)
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20460

Please note that our Courier-based address remains the following:

Engine Programs Group
Certification and Compliance Division
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Mail Code 6403J
501 3rd Street NW
Washington DC 20001

Our fax number remains 202-565-2057.

If you have any questions regarding this letter please contact Jim Blubaugh of my staff, at 202-564-9244 or by email at Blubaugh.Jim@Epa.Gov. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Daniel C Harrison /FOR

Gregory A. Green, Director
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