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Dear Attorneys General:

I am writing to confirm that on January 31, 2019, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) received the petition from you and 13 other state and District of Columbia Attorney Generals pursuant to section 21 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). The petition requests that EPA initiate rulemaking under TSCA section 8(a) to issue a new asbestos reporting rule to address infirmities in asbestos reporting under the Chemical Data Reporting (CDR) rule.

Section 21 of TSCA provides that the Administrator shall either grant or deny a petition within 90-days after the date of filing (April 30, 2019, for your petition). Section 21 further provides that, if the Administrator grants the petition, the Administrator shall promptly commence an appropriate proceeding and that, if the Administrator denies the petition, the Administrator shall publish the reasons for such a denial in the Federal Register. Your petition is under review by the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT), which is responsible for programs under TSCA.

If you have questions relating to the petition, please contact Tyler Lloyd of my staff by telephone at (202) 564-4016 or by email at lloyd.tyler@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jeffery T. Morris", is written over a faint, larger version of the signature.

Jeffery T. Morris, Ph.D.
Director

Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics

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