

June 20, 2024

Mr. K. Russell LaMotte Principal Beveridge & Diamond PC 1900 N Street, NW, Suite 100 Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Mr. LaMotte:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency received the December 22, 2023, petition sent on behalf of Semiconductor Equipment and Materials International for reconsideration of the final rule, "Phasedown of Hydrofluorocarbons: Restrictions on the Use of Certain Hydrofluorocarbons Under the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act of 2020" (88 FR 73098, October 24, 2023). The EPA also received the May 3, 2024, supplemental letter sent on behalf of SEMI.

The petition and supplemental letter requested that the EPA reconsider the rule's application to small-and medium-sized chillers used in semiconductor manufacturing by extending the compliance date to 2030, formalize a process to evaluate supply chain readiness three years in advance of the deadline and extend the 2030 compliance date if the evaluation so warrants. The EPA will reconsider the compliance date for small-sized chillers and intends to develop a proposed action on this matter. At this time, the EPA is not granting the requests pertaining to medium-sized chillers or the formal review of supply chain readiness but will continue to evaluate these issues. I encourage you to continue to engage with EPA staff in further discussions on these points.

If you have any questions, my colleague Erin Birgfeld would be pleased to assist you and is available at Birgfeld. Erin@epa.gov and (202) 564-6741.

Sincerely yours,

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