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Re: PET-001902: Toxic Substances Control Act Section 21 Petition to Initiate a Proceeding for the Amendment of EPA's Final Rule for Trichloroethylene

Dear Mr. Feith, Mr. Boxerman, Ms. Bolen, Mr. Rozansky, Ms. DeCarlo, and Mr. Weber:

I am writing to confirm that on May 1, 2025, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency received your petition, submitted on behalf of Alliance for a Strong U.S. Battery Sector and Microporous, LLC requesting that EPA amend the final rule "Trichloroethylene (TCE); Regulation Under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)" (89 FR 102568; December 17, 2024) to modify the "interim existing chemical exposure limit . . . and certain elements of the Workplace Chemical Protection Program . . . applicable to the TSCA Section 6(g) exemption . . . authorizing continued use of TCE to manufacture lead-acid battery separators."

Your petition has been filed pursuant to section 21 of the Toxic Substances Control Act and, as required under this section, EPA will either grant or deny the portions of your petition eligible for TSCA section 21 within 90 days of the date we received your petition (i.e., by July 30, 2025).

If you have any questions relating to your petition or the EPA's guidelines for TSCA section 21 petitions, feel free to contact petitions-ocspp@epa.gov, or Thomas Groeneveld of my staff at (202) 566-1188 or groeneveld.thomas@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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