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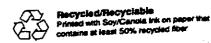
Dear Mr. Smith:

Due to your pending rulemaking action, I am writing to inform you of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) schedule for development of Guidelines for Limiting Public Exposure to Radiofrequency (RF) Radiation.

The guidelines are substantially complete, and are beginning to enter the review phase. The review plan for the guidelines will include a 30 day pre-publication review by the RF Inter-Agency Work Group, a 60 day review by selected stakeholders, and final review by OMB (90 days). Issuance of the final guidelines should be in early 1996.

We have established an effective and inclusive process for completing the guidelines. Our approach is rooted in the November 1993 comments from EPA on the Federal Communications Last year, Commission (FCC) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. selected federal agencies, including the FCC, formed an RF Interagency Work Group to coordinate RF issues among federal agencies, provide technical input to the guidelines, and act as a sounding board to assess the general approach employed in the guidelines. Ongoing discussions about the guidelines with important stakeholders are also underway. For example, the upcoming meeting with the Electromagnetic Energy Alliance is an illustration of the dialogue which is necessary to insure that the guidelines are broadly accepted thereby affording the FCC the opportunity to reference these guidelines as part of their rulemaking.

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Completion of the guidelines in a timely manner remains a priority of this office. In accomplishing this, the assistance and support of the FCC has been invaluable. In particular, Robert Cleveland has offered valuable technical review and insights which substantially improved the guidelines.

Sincerely,

E. Ramona Trovale

E. Ramona Trovato, Director Office of Radiation and Indoor Air