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1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20460

Re: Tier I Submittal for Voluntary Children's Chemical Evaluation Program (VCCEP)

for Decabromodiphenyl Ether Docket No. OPPTS-00274D

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Brominated Flame Retardant Industry Panel (BFRIP) of the American Chemistry Council has sponsored Decabromodiphenyl Ether (also called Decabromodiphenyl Oxide, or DBDPO) in Tier I of the VCCEP Pilot in support of its ongoing commitment to product and environmental stewardship and children's health. BFRIP continues to support voluntary industry initiatives such as VCCEP as a mechanism to compile, develop, evaluate scientific data on chemicals, and make certain information is available to the public.

BFRIP's Tier I data summary is submitted in accordance with EPA's December 26, 2000 Federal Register Notice. The Panel looks forward to a productive peer consultation process.

If you require any additional information about this submission, please contact the Panel Manager for BFRIP, Wendy Sherman, at (703) 741-5639 or via her email address wendy sherman@americanchemistry.com.

Sincerely yours,

