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Dear Mr. Moshofsky:

I am most appreciative of your recent letter on the Quality of Life Review. As you are aware, the Quality of Life Review has been an effort to insure interagency coordination of rulemaking activities in the environmental, health and safety programs.

Recently, the then Acting Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency announced that regulations issued by his Agency were no longer subject to this formal requirement for interagency coordination and consultation. I understand his greatest concern was that environmental programs have been the primary focus of the Quality of Life Review process.

The fundamental issue we face is how the Executive Branch can review potential conflicts among agencies before a regulation is proposed. These interagency conflicts frequently arise from conflicting statutory requirements and differences of opinion with respect to the priorities to be established among economic growth, energy production and environmental enhancement.

Presently we have a review of this issue underway. The purpose of this review is to formulate a regulatory reform process applicable to all agencies. Our goal is to improve economic analyses of regulatory actions, eliminate duplication, eliminate inefficient regulations and strengthen those regulatory programs which achieve their objectives in an efficient and balanced manner.

Mr. Harrison Wellford, the Executive Associate Director for Reorganization and Management is in charge of this review. The review and any attendant recommendations

will be forwarded to the President, after consultation with Mr. Schultze, of the Council of Economic Advisors and Mr. Eizenstat of the Domestic Council.

Sincerely,

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Director

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