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Subject: Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the  
Emergency Conservation Program

Dear Mr. Ponish:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the above referenced Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) pursuant to our authorities under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and the National Environmental Policy Act.

The Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) provides emergency funding to farmers and ranchers who have suffered damage to their agricultural lands as a result of a natural disaster. The goal of the ECP is to provide assistance to agricultural producers to restore agricultural lands to a productive state following a natural disaster and to carry out emergency water conservation or water enhancing measures during periods of severe drought.

Based on our review of the Final SEIS, EPA has no objections to the proposed action.

We appreciate the opportunity to review this Final SEIS; the staff contact for this review is Arthur Totten at (202) 564-7164.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susan E Bromm".

Susan Bromm

Director

Office of Federal Activities