

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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OFFICE OF AIR AND RADIATION

Ms. Sarah Burt Earthjustice 50 California Street Suite 500 San Francisco, California 94111

Dear Ms. Burt:

On October 3, 2007, Friends of the Earth, Oceana, Center for Biological Diversity and Earthjustice sent a letter to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or the Agency) petitioning the Agency to conduct rulemaking regarding certain emissions from marine engines. On January 29, 2008, International Center for Technology Assessment, Center for Food Safety, and Friends of the Earth sent a letter to EPA petitioning the Agency for rulemaking regarding certain emissions from nonroad vehicles and engines.

For the reasons provided in the enclosed response memorandum, EPA is not prepared at this time to initiate the rulemaking requested by the organizations listed above. However, EPA plans to continue reviewing this issue in the future.

Sincerely,

Gina McCarthy

Assistant Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Daniel Galpern Western Environmental Law Center 1216 Lincoln Street Eugene, Oregon 97401