



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY AND
POLLUTION PREVENTION

Mr. William D. Bush
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Dear Mr. Bush:

I am writing to confirm that on August 2, 2021, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) received your petition requesting that the Agency determine under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) that the chemical mixtures contained within cigarettes present an unreasonable risk of injury to human health and the environment and promulgate rulemaking under TSCA to address the risks described in your petition.

Your petition has been filed pursuant to section 21 of TSCA and, as required under this section, EPA will either grant or deny your petition within 90 days of the date we received your petition, or by October 31, 2021. If EPA grants your petition, then the Agency will promptly commence an appropriate proceeding. If EPA denies your petition in whole or in part, then the Agency will publish the reasons for denial in the Federal Register.

If you have any questions relating to your petition or the EPA's guidelines for TSCA section 21 petitions, feel free to contact Thomas Groeneveld of my staff at (202) 566-1188 or groeneveld.thomas@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Hartman
Deputy Director
Office of Pollution Prevention & Toxics