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Mr. Troy Schultz
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Dear Mr. Schultz:

I would like to thank you for serving as a member of the Generic Numerical Standards and Property-Specific Risk Assessment Workgroup for the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) Voluntary Action Program (VAP) five-year rule revision. Your insight and experience in environmental cleanup and redevelopment allowed us to look at the VAP rules objectively and determine, after five years of program operation, the revisions needed to enhance and improve the program. You are commended for your efforts on this Workgroup.

I was particularly pleased that a Workgroup representing varied and sometimes competing interests was able to work together so well in the spirit of consensus and was able to reach agreement on so many issues in such a short period of time. I found that the Workgroup's recommendations reflected the consensus spirit, combining rule changes that enhance program flexibility and provide clarity to complicated regulations with changes that further ensure protection of human health, safety and the environment.

I continue to be interested in your opinions concerning the Voluntary Action Program. The VAP staff will keep you informed as the proposed rule revisions make their way through the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR) process. In addition, VAP staff may seek the benefit of your experience and expertise again if questions or issues arise during the process of implementing the rule changes. Your name will also be maintained on our VAP interested party mailing list.

Bob Taft, Governor
Maureen O'Connor, Lieutenant Governor
Christopher Jones, Director

Again, I would like to thank you for your service. Your time and effort has been greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy Yersavich". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Amy Yersavich, Manager, Voluntary Action Program
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

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