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Eurika Durr, Clerk
Environmental Appeals Board

Re: Matter of Taotao USA, Inc., Taotao Group Co., Ltd.,
and Jinyun County Xiangyuan Industry Co., Ltd.,
Docket Number: CAA-HQ-2015-8065
CAA Appeal Numbers: 18-01 and 18-02

Dear Ms. Durr:

Thank you very much for your letter dated September 25, 2018, inviting the parties to the above-referenced matter before the Environmental Appeals Board to participate in the Board's alternative dispute resolution (ADR) program. Upon consideration, counsel for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Complainant in this matter, respectfully declines to accept the invitation and requests that the matter remain on the Board's docket for resolution. On October 4, 2018, counsel for Complainant held a teleconference with counsel for Taotao USA, Inc., Taotao Group Co., Ltd., and Jinyun County Xiangyuan Industry Co., Ltd, Respondents in this matter, and Appellant before the Board, with regard to the invitation to participate in the ADR program and informed Respondents' counsel of this decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert G. Klepp".

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