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Dear Mr. Meltzer:

I am writing as a follow up to my discussion with Kathy Green at the D-34 Committee meeting held in Clearwater, Florida last month. We discussed reprinting some ASTM Standards in the Environmental Protection Agency manual SW-846, Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods, Third Edition.

SW-846 contains testing methods approved by EPA for meeting the testing requirements of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. In response to requests by laboratory personnel who use the manual, we would like to include the approved ASTM Standards listed below in SW-846 to ease the burden on users. We estimate 10,000 copies of SW-846 are presently in print to which the ASTM Standards would be added. Currently, the following ASTM Standards have been approved for use in the RCRA program.

D445-86 Test Method for Viscosity of Transparent and Opaque  
Viscometers

D446-85a Specifications for Operation of Glass Capillary  
Viscometers

D2015-77 Test Method for Gross Calorific Value for Solid Fuel by  
the Adiabatic Bomb Calorimeter

D1888-78 Method A Test Method for Particulate and Dissolved  
Matter in Water

D1888-78 Method B Test Method for Particulate and Dissolved  
Matter in Water

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D93-80 Test Method for Flash Point by Pensky-Martens Closed Tester

D3828-81 Test Method for Flash Point by Setaflash Closed Tester

Kathy indicated that she thought there might be a mechanism to permit ASTM methods to be included. As we are approaching our deadline for the next update, I would appreciate any assistance you can give us on this matter.

My staff and I look forward to working with you. If you have any questions related to this matter, please contact Denise Zabinski or me at 202/382-4761.

Best regards,

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