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Honorable Carol M. Browner  
Administrator  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
401 M Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20460

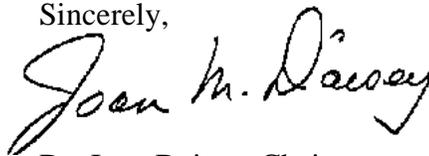
Subject: Notification of a Consultation on Screening and Testing of  
Endocrine Disruptors.

Dear Ms. Browner:

A joint panel of the Science Advisory Board (SAB) and the FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel (SAP) met on May 5 and 6, 1998, to consult with the Office of Prevention, Pesticides, and Toxic Substances (OPPTS) and the Office of Water (OW) on issues concerning the screening and testing of substances for endocrine disruptor activity. The SAB has developed the consultation as a mechanism to advise the Agency on technical issues that should be considered in the development of regulations, guidelines, or technical guidance before the Agency has taken a position. A consultation is conducted under the normal requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, which include advance notice of the public meeting in the Federal Register.

As is our customary practice, there will be no formal report as a result of this consultation, nor do we expect any formal response from the Agency. However, the joint SAB/SAP panel looks forward to the opportunity of conducting a formal review of the proposed approaches for screening and testing substances for endocrine disrupter activity in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joan M. Daisey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "J".

Dr. Joan Daisey, Chair  
Science Advisory Board

Dr. Ernest E. McConnell, Chair  
FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel