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Honorable Carol M. Browner
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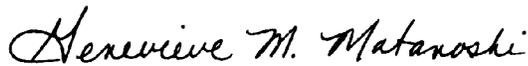
Subject: Notification of a Consultation on the Selection and Use of
Case Studies in the Ecological Risk Assessment Guidelines

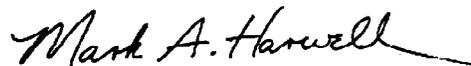
Dear Ms. Browner:

The Ecological Processes and Effects Committee (EPEC) of the Science Advisory Board (SAB) met on June 2, 1995, in part to conduct a consultation with staff from the Office of Research and Development's Risk Assessment Forum on selection and use of case studies in the ecological risk assessment guidelines that are being developed by the Agency. 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 from the SAB as a result of this consultation, nor do we expect any formal response from the Agency. However, individual members of the panel may provide comments, or the Committee may provide more guidance at a later date in a Commentary or through a formal review. We look forward to reviewing a draft of the ecological risk assessment guidelines in Fiscal Year 1996.

Sincerely,


Dr. Genevieve M. Matanoski, Chair
Executive Committee


Dr. Mark A. Harwell, Chair
Ecological Processes and
Effects Committee