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Dr. M. Granger Morgan
Chair
Science Advisory Board
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., MC1400F
Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Dr. Morgan:

Thank you for providing me with the Science Advisory Board's recommendations for the Fiscal Year 2007 Scientific and Technological Achievement Awards (SAB-08-000-0398). I appreciate the STAA Committee's participation in this important activity and its efforts to screen and review the 2007 nominations. I am pleased to adopt the Committee's award recommendations and have already taken steps to formally announce the winners and release the congratulatory letters, certificates, and monetary awards.

I also appreciate receiving the Committee's administrative recommendations regarding distribution of authorship and additional categories to more closely align with the types of research being performed by EPA scientists. The 2009 announcement will provide guidance on the ethical distribution of authorship rather than require written agreements. It will also include the following additional categories: Sustainability/Life Cycle Analysis/Industrial Ecology/Green Chemistry, Economics and Decision Sciences, Transportation/Urban Environment/Land-Use Planning, Environmental Justice, Homeland Security, Environmental Policy, and Energy and the Environment. Additional steps are also planned to address the concern that some authors are not submitting their work because of the perception that it does not align with the current criteria.

Thank you once again for your continued assistance with this important program.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Thomas L. Theis
Chair, Scientific and Technological Achievement
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Stephen L. Johnson