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Dear Dr. Johnson:

I would like to extend my appreciation to you and your colleagues on the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology for the substantial amount of time and effort dedicated to issuing NACEPT's second advice letter on work-force planning. It defines strategies we can use to obtain and retain scientific and technical expertise and to promote the One EPA culture.

I am encouraged by the recommendations and look forward to implementing them into the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's work-force-planning process. With these strategies in place, we will ensure a talented work force that is ready to meet the challenges of the future.

I eagerly await NACEPT's third advice letter for attracting and retaining superior leadership talent and ensuring diversity and inclusion throughout the agency. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Kimberly A. Lewis, director of the Office of Human Resources, at (202) 564-4606 or lewis.kim@epa.gov.

In the meantime, I thank you once more for your hard work and valuable contributions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lisa P. Jackson".

Lisa P. Jackson

This is very important work!