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THE ADMINISTRATOR

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Chair  
Children's Health Protection Advisory Committee  
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Dear Dr. Marty:

Thank you for writing and for providing me with the Children's Health Protection Advisory Committee's recommendations regarding the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's proposed revisions to the national ambient air quality standards for ozone.

I assure you that, in making decisions regarding the ozone NAAQS, I share your concern about ensuring that the standards adequately protect the health of children and other sensitive groups. As we move toward a final decision by March 12, 2008, I will carefully consider your comments regarding the effects on children of exposure to ozone and the unanimous recommendation of the CHPAC that EPA should tighten the primary ozone standard to a level of 0.060 parts per million. I have forwarded your comments to the docket for this rulemaking (EPA-HQ-OAR-2005-0172) so that they may be considered as we develop the final rule.

Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen L. Johnson".

Stephen L. Johnson