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OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY  
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**MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** Formation of a New Workgroup Under the Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee

**FROM:** Jack E. Housenger, Director  
Office of Pesticide Programs

**TO:** PPDC Members

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At the May PPDC meeting, we discussed the formation of new workgroups under suggested topic areas. The senior leadership team in the Office of Pesticide Programs discussed the suggestions and concluded that a new workgroup to develop metrics to measure the success of Pollinator Protection Plans is a critical need for OPP at this time. Therefore, we will form a Pollinator Protection Plan Metrics Workgroup, with Michael Goodis, Acting Deputy Director of the Registration Division, as the Chair.

We will need at least one full PPDC member, and no more than 50 percent of the full PPDC membership, to be part of this new workgroup. Our goal is to cap membership at 20 people to maximize the effectiveness and efficiency of the group, and include representation from a variety of stakeholder interests. The group will run for one year from the group's first meeting. If you are interested in participating, please contact Dea Zimmerman (contact information below) by August 12, 2016. Feel free to forward this information to people outside of the PPDC who you feel would contribute to the workgroup.

We appreciate all the other important suggestions for new workgroups. However, balancing the time and effort placed upon OPP for managing new workgroups, the critical needs of OPP currently, and our ability to address those other topic areas during full PPDC meetings or SAP meetings, we will not be forming any other new workgroups at this time.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the above information, please contact Dea Zimmerman at [zimmerman.dea@epa.gov](mailto:zimmerman.dea@epa.gov) or by phone at 312-353-6344.

Thank you for your continued service on the PPDC.

CC: OPP Division Directors and Deputy Directors