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OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

Ms. Sara Kangas National Association of Conservation Districts Director of Communications 509 Capitol Court, NE Washington, DC 20002-4937

Dear Ms. Kangas:

The Office of Pesticide Programs is in the process of seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment to the Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee (PPDC). I am writing to seek your assistance with both nominating individuals and spreading the word about the open nominations to your relevant stakeholders.

The PPDC is chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act to provide policy advice, information and recommendations to the EPA on a wide variety of pesticide regulatory development and reform initiatives, evolving public policy and program implementation issues, and policy issues associated with evaluating and reducing risks from pesticide use.

To maintain the broad representation outlined in the charter, nominees will be selected to represent: federal, state, local and tribal governments; pesticide industry and trade associations; pesticide user, grower and commodity groups; environmental and public interest groups; farm worker organizations; public health organizations; animal welfare groups; and academia. We seek highly qualified, racially and ethnically diverse candidates representing any of these groups.

To be considered, nominations should include:

- Current contact information for the nominee, including the nominee's name, organization (and
 position within that organization), current business address, email address and daytime telephone
 number.
- Brief statement describing the nominee's interest in and availability for serving on the PPDC.
- Résumé and a short biography (no more than two paragraphs) describing the background and
 professional and educational qualifications of the nominee, including a list of relevant activities
 or any current or previous experience on advisory committees.
- Letter(s) of recommendation from a third party supporting the nomination. The letter should describe how the nominee's experience and knowledge will bring value to the work of the PPDC.

All nominations are due to Shannon Jewell, the Committee's Designated Federal Officer, by close of business on June 27, 2019. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Jewell at (703) 347-0109 or jewell.shannon@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Richard P. Keigwin, Jr.

Director

Office of Pesticide Programs