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**Sent:** Tue Jun 18 2013 14:14:45 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
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Thank you,

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Hi Jenny,

We are in receipt of Donna Weiting's letter responding to EPA's request for consultation. Also, we are working in earnest on the regulatory language proposed by the Services with the aim of providing a passback to you for discussion as soon as possible. Thank you.

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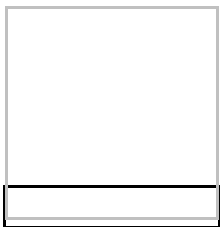
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