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Docket R99-12 appears to have some discrepancies in D/DBP requirements with current (which is, admittedly, difficult to discern) federal language. This discrepancy appears to result from the issuance of a Final Rule on April 14, 2000, in the 65 Federal Register 20304, docket that was withdrawn on June 13, 2000, in the 65 Federal Register 37062.

I spoke to Tom Grubbs, USEPA D/DBP II rule manager, today, regarding the re-issuance of these regulations. Discussions with USEPA indicate that the docket is complete, and is making its way through the sign off process. It is the intention of the Reg Management group to send the package to the Federal Register before December 31, 2000. The docket is undergoing review at OMB, and requires a somewhat different sign off process. The new process, added to the transition following the election, may delay that date somewhat, but is not expected to change the substance of the docket.

I would strongly recommend that the Board await the publication of the correct language before taking any action, rather than issue two separate amendments within consecutive regulatory dockets. This recommendation was acceptable to Tom Grubbs, as well, who feels confident that the federal docket will be forthcoming fairly soon. This course of action will not unnecessarily confuse the regulated community.

Thank you for your consideration.

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