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CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

The Honorable Betty McCollum  
Chair, Subcommittee on Interior,  
Environment and Related Agencies  
Committee on Appropriations  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable David Joyce  
Ranking Member, Subcommittee on  
Interior, Environment and Related Agencies  
Committee on Appropriations  
House of Representatives  
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The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chairman, Subcommittee on Interior,  
Environment and Related Agencies  
Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Tom Udall  
Ranking Member, Subcommittee on  
Interior, Environment and Related Agencies  
Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chair McCollum and Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Members Joyce and Udall:

Enclosed is the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Report to Congress on the EPA's Alternative Toxicity Testing activities as requested in the House of Representatives Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, 2018 (House Report 115-238).

The EPA is providing this report to address the following areas:

1. Progress to date to research, develop, validate, and translate innovative, non-animal chemical testing methods that characterize toxicity pathways;
2. Efforts to coordinate this across federal agencies; and
3. Future plans to continue to implement the toxicity testing vision outlined in the January 2017 National Academies of Science report, "Using 21st Century Science to Improve Risk-Related Evaluations" on all agency programs that involve toxicity testing.

Should you need additional information or have any questions, please contact Ed Walsh, of my staff, at [walsh.ed@epa.gov](mailto:walsh.ed@epa.gov) or (202) 564-4594.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Chief Financial Officer

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