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John Rogers, Acting Director
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Department of the Interior
1849 "C" Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20240

Attention: Endangered Species; 452 ARLSQ

Dear Mr. Rogers:

In accordance with Interagency Cooperation Regulations for the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (50 CFR Part 402.08), the EPA Office of Pesticide Programs hereby designates the California **Environmental Protection** Agency, Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR), as a non-Federal representative to conduct informal consultation with the Services relating to pesticide use in California. We have previously so designated DPR in conjunction with a single pesticide, Magnacide; and after that successful effort, we are now broadening the designation to cover all pesticides in California.

We acknowledge, that ultimate responsibility for compliance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act remains with EPA.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anne E. Lindsay".

Anne E. Lindsay, Acting Director
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