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Mr. Bob Wenzlau
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Dear Bob:

Thank you for your e-mail message of July 14, 2011, to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Lisa Jackson. I appreciate the opportunity to respond on behalf of EPA, since this office was very involved in the collaborative effort that is the subject of your message. I want to congratulate you and the ASTM International Task Group that successfully negotiated the new ASTM standard guide for the conduct of continuing obligations. Your efforts and the efforts of the full task group membership are much appreciated.

Please forward my message of congratulations and the Agency's appreciation to the members of the ASTM task group. We are all hopeful that the publication of the ASTM standard guide on continuing obligations will assist prospective purchasers of brownfields and other contaminated properties as they contemplate their purchasing decisions and in their efforts to safely manage contaminated properties after purchase.

Again, thank you for your dedication to the development of the ASTM standard guide. Please feel free to contact me or Patricia Overmeyer of my staff, on 202-566-2772, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. R. Lloyd", written over a horizontal line.

David R. Lloyd, Director
Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization

Cc: Kenneth Patterson, Office of Site Remediation and Enforcement