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Mr. Melvin Keener
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Dear Mr. Keener:

Thank you for your January 24, 2022, letter providing an update on the current status of the backlog of containerized hazardous waste needing incineration. Our memo on August 10, 2021, discussed that the backlog was expected to be resolved by March 2022 based on our understanding of the situation at that time and the information provided by a number of hazardous waste incinerators. We are currently reevaluating the situation and have reached out to both industry and our state partners for an update. The implementing agency, either the authorized state agency or EPA Region, is in the best position to work with generators to determine if their specific set of circumstances meets the regulatory conditions for the 30-day extension to generator accumulation time. We will keep the information you provided in mind as we learn more. If you have any questions, contact Mary Beth Sheridan at sheridan.marybeth@epa.gov or Jeff Gaines at gaines.jeff@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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