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Dear Mr. Lalumondier:

This letter is to inform you that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has approved American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Method D6053-96 as an alternative to EPA Method 24 for electrical insulating varnishes. The EPA has started the process for revising Method 24 to incorporate ASTM D6053-96 for these specific types of varnishes and we expect this process to take at least 6 months. In the meantime, we will post this alternative method determination on our web site. The address for the web site is “www.epa.gov/ttn/emc”. If you have further questions concerning this matter, please contact Candace Sorrell of my staff at (919) 541-1064.

Sincerely,

J. David Mobley, Acting Director
Emissions, Monitoring, and Analysis Division