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Dear Sir/Madam:

This submission is being made per the phone conversation between Terry O'Brien (EPA) and Dan Hakes (3M) on May 10, 2000. Terry requested a non-confidential version of a specific toxicological study. I would like to confirm that portions of the "Exploratory 28-Day Oral Toxicity Study with (various fluorochemicals) By Daily Gavage in the Rat Followed by a 14/28-Day Recovery Period", plus the associated laboratory report submitted to Dr. Charles Auer on May 4, 2000 is considered TSCA Confidential Business Information.

Attached for your review is a new copy of the above mentioned study to be included with the submittal on perfluorooctane sulfonates made by 3M to Dr. Charles Auer dated May 4, 2000. Attached to this letter is a complete non-confidential report with the TSCA Confidential Business Information redacted. In a separate envelope is the same report with the TSCA CBI included and highlighted.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John L. Butenhoff".

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