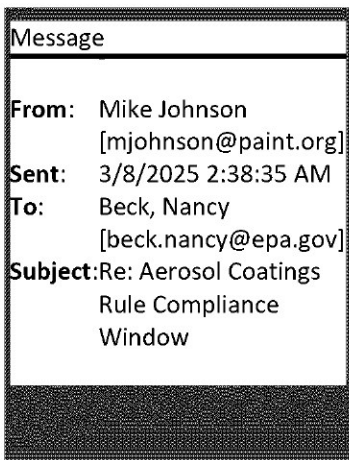




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Nancy - Yes, our team did hear from the air office yesterday. I was away from the office on other business most of the day today, but did get a report from the team that collaborative efforts are underway, and they are making good progress.

Thank you! - Mike

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From: Beck, Nancy <beck.nancy@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, March 7, 2025 9:26:50 PM
To: Mike Johnson <mjohnson@paint.org>
Subject: RE: Aerosol Coatings Rule Compliance Window

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Hi Mike,
My understanding is that someone from the air office has reached out to your team. I hope this has addressed your concerns.

Best,
Nancy

From: Mike Johnson <mjohnson@paint.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 6, 2025 7:50 AM
To: Beck, Nancy <beck.nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Aerosol Coatings Rule Compliance Window

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Nancy - Thank you for the quick response. The meeting this Friday, which has since been canceled, was to be with Abbie. Our team has been told that we should not expect the meeting with Abbie until the end of March or early April now. With the March 18 deadline for filing a challenge, that timing is obviously problematic.

Is there anyone else at EPA that I could appeal to for an earlier meeting? My hope remains that we can resolve this administratively rather than having to escalate.

Again, thank you for any advice or assistance you can provide. - Mike

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From: Beck, Nancy <beck.nancy@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 5, 2025 7:56 PM
To: Mike Johnson <mjohnson@paint.org>
Subject: RE: Aerosol Coatings Rule Compliance Window

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Hi Mike. Since your rule is an air rule, someone in the air office is best. Have you asked Abbie for a recommendation on who to meet with? She may be the best person to assist you.

Best,
Nancy

From: Mike Johnson <mjohnson@paint.org>
Sent: Wednesday, March 5, 2025 6:09 PM
To: Beck, Nancy <beck.nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: Aerosol Coatings Rule Compliance Window

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Nancy - My name is Mike Johnson and I am the new CEO at the American Coatings Association. At the end of the Biden Administration a new aerosol coatings rule was finalized. Most of the provisions of the new rule are fine with our members. However, as we were clear about in our comments, our members would need a two-year window to sell through existing inventories, reformulate to the new standard and relabel accordingly. Instead, the Biden agency included only six-month window to comply.

We do not want to reopen the rulemaking, but we would very much like the current leadership of the EPA to consider issuing a two-year non-enforcement notice so that our members may have the time they need to comply without incurring significant losses and additional cost.

Our government affairs team met with Kaye Whitfield about this, and she suggested a meeting with Abbie Tardif. That meeting was originally scheduled for this Friday, March 7, however we were informed yesterday that the meeting had been canceled and could not be rescheduled before the end of the month. That is obviously problematic as the deadline for filing an official challenge to the rule, which we very much hope that we do not have to do, is March 18.

I am hoping to have a better dialogue with someone in the new leadership of the agency who can help. I just do not know who that is and am hoping you can point me in the right direction.

Thank you, in advance, for any assistance. - Mike

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