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Commissioner:

Attached is the draft of the technical paper describing the derivation of the PFOA guidance level for drinking water, as per your request through Jeanne Herb.

I am free all day today an answer any questions or concerns you may have.

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Makatura, Elaine

>>> Lisa P. Jackson 10/23/2008 1:29 PM >>>

Eileen,

I believe this paper should be pulled from submission for publication pending the results of a peer review by a panel of scientists. I believe the same requirement should be applied to all scientific papers by memebbers of this department that are based on work they do for this department or data that they have access to because of their work for this department. I thought that was the SOP now? If not, it should be.

Lisa

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Subject: Re: Fwd: Draft PFOA technical paper

The paper is currently undergoing peer review by a panel of experts as part of the acceptance process for the journal.

The development of the guidance level itself (which is posted on the NJDEP website) was informally peer reviewed by state colleagues in NJ and other states, but not formally done.

For my own clarification - you are asking us to halt the external peer review being conducted by the journal and initiate our own DEP peer review of the paper?

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**Date:**

Wed, Oct 29, 2008 2:50 AM

**Subject:**

Re: Fwd: Draft PFOA technical paper

I would like you and Jeanne to agree on a course of action. I do not believe we will have this problem again since the new SAB will need to review any scientific paper that is related to DEP work or data before it is published.