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Re: *In the Matter of BASF SE, Docket No. C-4253*

Dear Mr. Schlossberg:

This letter responds to the October 16, 2009, Petition of BASF For Approval of Proposed Divestiture ("Petition") requesting that the Commission approve BASF's divestiture of the Ciba BV Business and the Ciba IB Business to Dominion Colour Corporation ("DCC") pursuant to the order in this matter. The Petition was placed on the public record for comments for thirty days, until November 17, 2009, and no comments were received.

After consideration of the proposed transaction as set forth in the Petition and supplemental documents, as well as other available information, the Commission has determined to approve the divestiture of the Ciba BV Business and the Ciba IB Business to DCC. In according its approval, the Commission has relied upon the information submitted and representations made in connection with BASF's Petition, and has assumed them to be accurate and complete.

By direction of the Commission.

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Secretary

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