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Colorado General Assembly 200 E Colfax Avenue Denver, CO 80203

Re: Colorado Regulation 19 Revisions

Dear Colorado General Assembly:

This letter serves as support for the proposed revision of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) Regulation Number 19, which updates the definition of "child-occupied facility". Any State seeking EPA authorization to administer their own Lead-Based Paint Program in lieu of the federal program must demonstrate that their program is at least as protective as the federal program. The proposed revisions will ensure that the definition of child-occupied facilities meets the protective standards of the federal rules.

EPA appreciates all the work CDPHE's Indoor Environment Program has done to protect the public and prevent exposure to lead-based paint hazards. Please feel free to reach out to me at 303-312-6983 or Pardue-welch.kimberly@epa.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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