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Ray H. Darling, Jr. Executive Secretary Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission washoshrccommission@oshrc.gov

Re: Kiewit Power Constructors Co., No. 11-2395

Dear Mr. Darling:

Pursuant to the Commission's November, 14, 2013 order permitting the Secretary to submit a one-sentence response to Kiewit's November 4, 2013 surreply, the Secretary submits the following response:

City of Arlington, Texas v. FCC, 133 S. Ct. 1863, 1871 (2013), not Kiewit's cited authorities, applies here because OSH Act, section 6(a) *expressly* authorized the Secretary to promulgate established federal standards as OSH Act standards without notice-and-comment rule-making (thereby making the APA anti-implied-repeal provision, 5 U.S.C. § 559, inapplicable), but did not specify the scope of the permitted expansion of the coverage of these established federal standards (thereby making *Chevron* deference to the Secretary's interpretation of section 6(a) appropriate).

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Mr. Darling:

I attach the Secretary's response to Kiewit's supplemental authorities surreply. I have e-mailed a copy of the response to opposing counsel and counsel for *amicus curiae* APA Watch as indicated in the above cc line.

Sincerely,

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