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TO INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS, ORGANIZATIONS, AND LIBRARIES

On behalf of United States (U.S.) Border Patrol and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC) is pleased to submit for your review and comment, the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Border Patrol Station and Sector Headquarters in El Paso, Texas. Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations implementing the Act (40 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] Parts 1500-1508), the attached Draft EA provides documentation of the analyses conducted to determine the potential environmental consequences of implementing the proposed action and alternatives.

The U.S. Border Patrol will be accepting public review comments on the Draft EA from all interested and concerned parties during the formal public comment period (7 September 2003 through 7 October 2003). Please forward your comments to me at SAIC, 4242 Woodcock, Suite 150, San Antonio, Texas 78228. All comments must be received or postmarked by 7 October 2003. To ensure the widest dissemination possible, please circulate this letter and Draft EA among all interested individuals. Additional copies of the Draft EA are available for review at:

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Draft Environmental Assessment

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