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Dear Sir:

I am pleased to see that the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) is developing an inhalation cancer unit risk factor (URF) for perchloroethylene (tetrachloroethylene). I work with communities across the country where exposure to PCE vapors is all too common. In my own community of Mountain View, California, where I serve on the City Council, we have at least two current development projects on former dry cleaner sites where PCE was released into the subsurface.

I do not have the expertise to comment on the technical aspects of your study. I am writing simply to say the health and property of a large number of people depend upon you doing your job carefully. Historically, the businesses that produce, use, and release chlorinated compounds have worked incessantly to weaken the exposure standards, and there is no organization with resources on the other side, representing potentially exposed communities, to balance their influence.

So please be aware of industry's interests and influence as you complete your findings.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lenny Siegel". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lenny" and last name "Siegel" clearly distinguishable.

Lenny Siegel  
Executive Director