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Hi Bob: I've made some progress (page 25) in reviewing the report but I have some major impediments to getting back to it this week or next. While I don't like commenting before completing this task, obviously the time passing isn't helping anyone. The primary concern I have at this point concerns our summary of findings for the substances we address. I think Congress will expect that these lead off by discussing very directly what is known (or not known) about the current and past prevalence or occurrence of home contamination and associated health effects for these substances, why we think such contamination does or does not represent a current problem in the U.S., followed by summaries of the essential studies and/or cases reports that substantiate our conclusions. Studies and case reports basically supporting the findings of the essential studies and/or case

reports would be cited en masse in single sentences and relegated to summary tables without elaboration.

In addition, I haven't been able to understand, and don't think Congress will understand, the relevance of many studies discussed in the portion I've read, addressing such issues as the inability to conduct quantitative risk assessments, methodogic issues for diagnosing conditions, studies of occupational exposures, school contamination associated with building materials, etc.

Please let me know whether I am making sense.

Ted

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Dr. Mason, Pat Sullivan will be in Cincinnati for the Meeting on Family Protection as Morgantown's representative. Therefore, I am sending you this E-mail at her suggestion about my few comments.

In general, I feel that the group has done a good job in reviewing the available data and assembling it in a report. I do feel that the report needs some work in smoothing the flow of the material. Each of us has a distinctive way of writing which varies from person to person. I feel that a writer-editor needs to go over this in order to make the report read as if one person wrote it.

The report seems to be relatively complete as far as the common toxic offenders are considered. I do notice that silica is not included. I understand from Pat that there wasn't much material on this.

I found a few mistakes in spelling etc. which I will list below; Page 4, 4th line from bottom, date should be 1993. Page 38, part 1, 3rd line, theses should be these. Page 52, 2nd line of text, reccommendation is misspelled.

Page 75, need comma between Adrian and Michigan.

Hope this helps.

Joe Costello

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Attached are the composite recommendations for Greg Wagner from Control

95-015 on NIOSH priority recommendations to OSHA.