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Dr. Trudy Ann Cameron
Dr. Bart Ostro
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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Dear Dr. Cameron and Dr. Ostro:

Thank you for writing on behalf of the Advisory Council on Clean Air Compliance Analysis and its Health Effects Subcommittee to offer valuable advice on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's plans for health-effects analyses in the upcoming Second Prospective Analysis of the Clean Air Act.

I applaud the thoroughness and technical sophistication of your advisory and appreciate the Council's ongoing efforts to provide high-quality advice regarding the design and implementation of this important series of studies. Given the substantial scope and depth of the advisory, EPA will respond by taking specific actions to address and implement the report's recommendations through the redirection of our analytical efforts. These analytical changes will be manifested and documented in the first draft of the study report, which will be submitted to the Council for review. In addition, EPA anticipates conducting additional interim consultations with the Council and its subcommittees, during which the project team will describe EPA's efforts to address all the key elements of your advisory.

Again, I appreciate the scientifically rigorous and sound advice provided by the Advisory Council on Clean Air Compliance Analysis and its Health Effects Subcommittee, and I look forward to continuing the productive working relationship between the Council and EPA.

Sincerely,

/Signed/

Michael O. Leavitt