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Re: Santa Susana Field Laboratory Cleanup Standards and the Boeing Company's "Updated Standardized Risk Assessment Methodology Work Plan"

Dear Secretary Rodriquez and Director Lee:

As elected officials whose constituents are directly and adversely impacted by contamination at the Santa Susana Field Laboratory (SSFL), we are writing with great concern about The Boeing Company's August 22<sup>nd</sup> announcement that it is abandoning its commitment to clean their portion of SSFL – at least 85% of the site – to a level that will no longer pose a danger to people's health. SSFL is contaminated with some of the most lethal toxins known, including Strontium-90, Cesium-137, trichloroethylene, dioxins, and PCBs. Boeing's attempt to reduce the level of clean up to a much weaker standard will leave some of these toxicants in place, risking people's health long into the future.

In the past, Boeing had stated that it wanted the SSFL site to remain undeveloped, and it committed to clean up the site to what it referred to as the "suburban residential" standard. Now they wish to change the cleanup standard to "recreational" rather than "residential", putting the surrounding communities at greater risk from offsite migration of contaminants. It is discouraging that, even though nothing has changed, Boeing wants to break its pledge.

Fortunately, while Boeing can make this brazen announcement, the authority to determine cleanup standards rests with the State, not Boeing. The State has repeatedly stated that the

site should be cleaned up to at least residential standards. We strongly urge CalEPA and the Department of Toxic Substances Control to follow through with that commitment and not allow Boeing's dangerous efforts to cut costs and responsibilities.

Sincerely,



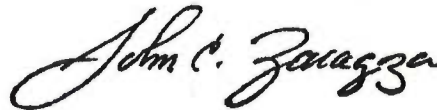
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