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Dear Ms. Douglas

Though an Information Letter provided by the Health Protection Branch, I was informed of the Expert Advisory Committee on Dioxins.

I am very interested in making a submission to this Committee, and I would appreciate any additional information regarding submissions that you feel would be useful to me, including deadlines.

Although we commend the Health Protection Branch for their initiative on such an important environmental topic, it is disturbing to see that the Committee is composed only of academic scientists, with the exception of the participant from Dow Chemical Company. Pollution Probe and other environmental, consumer and labour groups have consistently tried to impress it upon government agencies that it is important to give fair representation to the point of view of the users, and other major groups affected by decisions concerning the future use of any toxic substance.

We hope that the Health Protection Branch will give consideration to including such groups on this committee or on future committees constituted for similar investigations.

Yours truly,

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