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Memorandum

To: Wayne Nastri, Administrator, EPA, Region IX
Jeff Scott, Director, Communities & Ecosystems Division, EPA, Region IX
cc: Dr. Karl Ford, Toxicologist, BLM, National Operations Center
Tim Radtke, Industrial Hygienist, DOI OS, Office of Occupational Health
And Safety

From: Mike Pool, State Director, BLM-California 

Subject: Asbestos Risk Information Provided by Blue Ribbon Coalition (Dr. E.B. Ilgren)

I was visited by Don Amador and Dr. E.B. Ilgren, both representing Blue Ribbon Coalition on April 16, 2008, regarding the Clear Creek Management Area and their concerns on EPA's anticipated publication of the asbestos exposure and human health risk assessment initiated at BLM's request in 2004. The Coalition, one of BLM's national recreation constituencies, is based in Pocatello, Idaho, and represents over 10,000 individual members and 1,200 organization and business members, for a combined total of over 600,000 recreationists nationwide.

The Coalition requested the appointment to allow their consultant, Dr. Ilgren, to present data to BLM regarding their concerns about what they believe may be faulty science on which the pending risk assessment may be based. At the end of the meeting, during which staff and I listened to their concerns, they presented us a set of documents and a list of questions. They requested that we provide this information to BLM's technical reviewers (Dr. Karl Ford and Tim Radtke in BLM's National Operations Center in Denver) and EPA management at Region IX. They also requested the opportunity to meet with EPA to discuss their concerns prior to publication of the risk assessment.

Accordingly, we are transmitting 12 documents provided us that we scanned and copied onto the enclosed compact disk for your review and consideration. We are also transmitting the list of questions (document 013) and supporting documentation (document 014 & 014A) emailed to us as two more documents on the compact disk.

I am also requesting EPA consider their request for a meeting prior to publication to explain and discuss their data. BLM would be available to attend, if desired. Mr. Amador can be reached at (925) 625-6287

Thank you for your consideration.

Attachments:

Compact disk with documents noted

**Communities & Ecosystems
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