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Inside the Fishbowl Local 2050, NFFE P. O. Box 76082 Washington, D.C. 20013

Dear Brother Hirzy:

Recently you sent our Local, 1827 NFFE, St. Louis, copies of the January/February, March and May issues of "Inside the Fishbowl". You and your staff produce a first rate newsletter that any Local should be proud to call its own. An <u>Outstanding</u> Job!

We read it with interest since much of the information presented constituted follow-on reports to articles in the "Federal Times." My blood boils to read about the injustice being perpetrated on patriots. PATRIOTS - like Dr. Marcus, Dwight Welch, Myra Cypser, Tyrone Arkens, Jeff Van Ee, Bob Carton, Bill Sanjour and yourself. We are watching the leading edge of a wave of whistleblower retaliation take shape here so we have empathy with your employees as well as outrage over the craven, politically motivated actions against them.

One of the things that was most interesting and inspiring about your newsletter was all of the reports detailing the unflagging battles your employees wage to do their job properly in spite of managements desire that they do otherwise. Until I read your newsletter I had no idea that we citizens owed the scientists and researchers at EPA the debt of gratitude that we do. It's obviously a constant struggle to be allowed to function in accordance with EPA's charter let alone do the job well. It appears that doing a good job is in fact a firing offense. What an extraordinary situation as we approach the 21st century.

It is a matter of pride to me that my Union, NFFE has a hand in perserving and protecting the workers at EPA. Please continue to send us your newsletter. And please continue the struggle - lives depend on it.

In solidarity

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