525 - 19th Street Huntington Beach, California 92648 September 29, 1991

U.S. Senator John Seymour 11111 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 915 Los Angeles, California 90025

Dear Senator Seymour:

While still awaiting an answer from you to my second letter to you of July 30, 1991, I received the enclosed letter from the Environmental Protection Agency of August 15, 1991. I trust you will not consider their reply as a satisfactory conclusion of the problem about which I wrote to you, and which you assured me you would pursue. I continue to be very perturbed about the unacceptable treatment by the EPA in attempting to curb its EPA Union of scientists, Local 2050 of the National Federation of Federal Employees, from communicating and interacting with the public on what they call "official time". In addition to the silencing, there have been unfair accusations and retaliative measures by the EPA which, if not stopped, could lead to destroying demoralizing, and paralyzing a Union which has demonstrated scientific honesty and integrity and the highest of standards and calibre, for the protection of the public. It seems to me that the EPA is trying to prevent the Union from making disclosures that do not suit the EPA.

One of the major disputes has been the drastic increase in the maximum contaminant level (MCL) of fluoride in public drinking The EPA is required by law to reevaluate fluoride levels which they announced in the Federal Register of January 3, 1990. The EPA has still not commenced its reevaluation or formed its workgroup as promised. To make the matter more critical is the fact that federal testing of animals has shown fluoride to be associated with bone cancer, oral cancer, and liver cancer, osteosclerosis, dental fluorosis, and other injurious effects. These government findings have been unjustly negated by federal authorities, who apparently don't welcome the results. Federal study by the National Institutes of Health has also shown an increase in a rare form of bone cancer in humans in fluoridated This study, too, has been unjustly negated. I understand Congressman Weiss will be holding hearings on the question of a cover-up on the National Toxicology Program (NTP) study, which had been mandated by Congress in the first place.

Of immense importance is the fact that recent scientific research has established an association between water fluoridation and hip fractures. We enclose the <u>Journal of the American Medical Association</u> (JAMA) of July 24-31, 1991, page 513, reporting this link at <u>levels</u> being deliberately put into public water supplies. Dr. William Marcus, Senior Science Advisor and Chief Toxicologist to the Office of Water at the EPA, has called upon his Agency for "immediate action".

Something decisive must be done by our legislators. You offered your assistance. Our letter of July 30th had requested that you contact Dr. John Lee of Sebastopol, California - 707-823-9350, who is well versed on the issue. We also suggested, and now request again, that you contact Dr. Robert Carton, of EPA's Local 2050 - its professional Union - at 202-260-2325 (updated phone #). I urge you to do so and help rectify this dire situation.

Sincerely, Peter Krinsky

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September 27, 1991

Mr. Peter Krinsky 626 19th St. Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Dear Mr. Krinsky:

Thank you for contacting my office regarding discrepancies with the EPA. As you know, I have initiated an inquiry with the United States Environmental Protection Agency on your behalf. Enclosed you will find the response I received.

Should you have any questions or additional information on this matter, please contact my assistant Darryl Seif at the address below.

Again, thank you for contacting me on this matter. Please let me now if I can be of assistance in the future.

Sincerely

JOHN SEYMOUR

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Honorable John Seymour United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Seymour:

Thank you for your July 26, 1991 letter addressed to Mr. Todd Koeze, the Director of the Office of Congressional Liaison. Your letter, as well as the letter from Mr. Peter Krinsky which was enclosed with your correspondence, has been referred to me for response. A copy of our response to Mr. Krinsky is enclosed for your information.

As you can see from our response to Mr. Krinsky, this Agency has taken no action to discourage the interaction of the National Federation of Federal Employees, Local 2050 with members of the public. However, there is some question as to whether such activities should be done on the "clock." We are currently in negotiations to resolve this issue and the concerns of Mr. Krinsky will be taken into consideration.

Once again, I want to thank you for taking the time to let us know of your constituent's concerns.

Sincerely. Edward J. Hanley

Charles L. Grizzle Assistant Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Darryl Seif