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Dear Dr. Breysse:

At last night's regular meeting of the West Hills Neighborhood Council, the WHNC Board of Directors adopted the following endorsement of an ATSDR study of health risks in our community relating the Santa Susana Field Laboratory site:

"The West Hills Neighborhood Council (WHNC) is a body of the City of Los Angeles established under the Los Angeles City Charter. Our 25-member Board of Directors is elected by the community to represent approximately 42,000 stakeholders and advise other elected officials and departments.

"The West Hills community is located close to the Santa Susana Field Laboratory (SSFL), making the pathways of human exposure from SSFL-related contaminants a major public concern. Most of the test data that are available are 10-20 years old and the residents living within close proximity to the SSFL have the right to know the current level of potential off-site impact.

"It is the responsibility of the WHNC to acquire and disseminate credible current information. Evaluating the current risks to health from radioactive and chemical contamination at the SSFL is imperative, enabling the WHNC to provide the facts to the public.

"Therefore, the WHNC recommends that the ATSDR, under the guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), re-evaluate the data and determine the current health risks related to the SSFL."

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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