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Brian A. Marlow, CFA Chair, Board of Directors American Cancer Society 3380 Chastain Meadows Pkwy NW, Suite 200 Kennesaw, GA 30144

Re: ACS and EPA Misuse CPS II to Claim PM2.5 Deaths

Dear Chair Marlow,

As Executive Director of the CO2 Coalition, I lead an organization of more than 120 respected scientists and experts researching and writing on climate change, energy and related issues. I respectfully request that three American Cancer Society (ACS) scientists, specifically, Dr. Karen E. Knudsen, Dr. Alpa V. Patel, and Mr. W. Ryan Diver, meet with Dr. James E. Enstrom as soon as possible.

Since 2013 ACS scientists have repeatedly refused to meet with Dr. Enstrom regarding his peer-reviewed evidence of serious errors in air pollution-related analyses of ACS Cancer Prevention Study II (CPS II) data. The flawed ACS analyses found a positive relationship between fine particulate matter (PM2.5) and mortality and this relationship was used by EPA to create a National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for PM2.5 in 1997.

Dr. Enstrom has strong evidence that the PM2.5 NAAQS is scientifically and economically unjustified and that the multi-billion-dollar EPA PM2.5 regulations have had an overall adverse impact on America, particularly in California. Sadly, the ACS scientists continue to refuse to address the strong evidence contained in Dr. Enstrom's February 16 "ACS & EPA Misuse CPS II to Claim PM2.5 Deaths" PDF (http://scientificintegrityinstitute.org/ACSEPA021623.pdf).

My request is urgent because EPA is using seriously flawed epidemiologic findings in its current effort to lower the already low PM2.5 NAAQS (<u>https://www.epa.gov/pm-pollution/proposed-decision-reconsideration-national-ambient-air-quality-standards-particulate</u>). Based on ALL relevant evidence, there is no scientific or economic justification for the EPA to further tighten the PM2.5 NAAQS at a time when America is in serious scientific and economic competition with Communist China, which ignores air pollution regulations.

If Dr. Enstrom cannot meet with the ACS scientists, then we request that you speak with me about the importance of honest science and the scientific method to the future of America. In particular, I want to explain the importance of transparency and reproducibility of scientific findings as they relate to the credibility of ACS epidemiologic research. Dr. Enstrom's scientific credentials can be found on The CO2 Coalition Website

(<u>https://co2coalition.org/teammember/james-enstrom/</u>). Our scientific credentials can also be found on The CO2 Coalition Website (<u>https://co2coalition.org/about/</u>).

Thank you very much for your consideration of this important request.

Sincerely yours,

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