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Subject: Important Request re BYU Professor C. Arden Pope, III

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Dear Dr. Eide,

Because of your leadership role in the BYU Department of Economics and your economic training in California, I am writing you regarding BYU Professor C. Arden Pope, III, and his research and statements on air pollution health effects in the United States and California. In particular, I request your evaluation of my 10-page, 5000-word November 15, 2013 document "Scientific Misconduct in Fine Particulate Matter Epidemiology by Dr. C. Arden Pope, III, in Collaboration with Drs. Daniel Krewski, Michael Jerrett, and Richard Burnett, with the Complete Cooperation of the American Cancer Society" (<http://scientificintegrityinstitute.org/Pope111513.pdf>). Over the past eight years, I have meticulously prepared this document, which contains 77 URLs that supplement the 5000 words of text. I have assembled overwhelming evidence that Dr. Pope has deliberately and systematically misrepresented the relationship between fine particulate matter (PM2.5) and total mortality ("premature death") in California and you need to examine this evidence.

Other prominent Americans are also challenging the scientific integrity of Dr. Pope's epidemiologic research. The US House Science Committee issued an August 1, 2013 subpoena of EPA "secret science" data used in seven key PM2.5 epidemiologic studies, including four studies that involve Dr. Pope. This subpoena is described in the August 27, 2013 Salt Lake Tribune "Two Utahns have stake in pollution health data fight" (<http://m.sltrib.com/sltrib/mobile3/56769989-219/committee-data-epa-health.html.csp>). Three recent examples in California and Utah of the economic impact of the multi-billion dollar regulations resulting from this PM2.5 epidemiology are described in the December 7, 2012 comments of Randy Thomas of Watts (<http://www.scientificintegrityinstitute.org/Thomas120712.MP3>), the November 27, 2013 City of Redding letter (<http://www.scientificintegrityinstitute.org/Redding112713.pdf>), and the December 5, 2013 Salt Lake Tribune article (<http://www.sltrib.com/sltrib/politics/57180623-90/utah-plan-emissions-quality.html.csp>).

Thus, I request your assessment of my November 15, 2013 document regarding scientific misconduct by Dr. Pope. If I do not receive a response from you, I will assume that you are not concerned about my November 15, 2013 document and are not concerned about adverse economic impact that Dr. Pope's research has had and will have on California and Utah, as typified by the three examples above. I implore you to view this matter from the perspective of Randy Thomas, who I consider to be an innocent victim of the research that Dr. Pope has conducted in your department.

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

Sincerely yours,

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