Dear Dr. Patel,

I am writing again because I have not received a response to my November 7, 2013 email request to you (http://scientificintegrityinstitute.org/Patel110713.pdf). Before proceeding further with CPS 3, I again request that you address my evidence that ACS has violated its 1982 agreement with CPS II subjects: “We will never release information about any particular person and will not release addresses to any agency for any purpose, whatsoever.” The ACS has stated "Violating our legal obligations and breaking the promises we made to participants could damage not only the Society's reputation, but also the next phases of our scientific and public health work." This CPS II violation occurred in 2007 when ACS agreed to provide confidential home address information on California CPS II subjects to the authors of the September 1, 2013 AJRCCM paper "Spatial Analysis of Air Pollution and Mortality in California" (http://www.atsjournals.org/doi/abs/10.1164/rccm.201303-0609OC). As you know, several papers based on CPS II data, like this one, have been used by EPA to justify and implement multi-billion dollar EPA air pollution regulations that many experts, including myself, consider to be scientifically unjustified, particularly as they relate to California. These CPS II-based papers were cited during the November 21-22, 2013 CSUSB Sustainable Goods Movement Symposium in Palm Desert in which I participated (http://psies.csusb.edu). The Symposium was summarized in the November 23, 2013 Desert Sun article "Two sides emerge in emissions argument at CSUSB" (http://www.mydesert.com/article/20131122/BUSINESS0302/311220018/Two-sides-emerge-emissions-argument). The Desert Sun stated "some researchers at the two-day event argued that emissions from diesel, such as the microscopic particles called PM-2.5, are over regulated, and their health impacts particularly death rates are distorted, resulting in potentially negative impacts on the economy.” The negative economic impacts are quite pronounced in Southern California and other parts of California. My concerns about ACS policy regarding the confidentiality of CPS II data are directly relevant to your current enrollment of CPS 3 subjects, which, coincidentally, was described in the November 21, 2013 Desert Sun article "Cancer study signs up more than 150 people in the Coachella Valley" (http://www.mydesert.com/article/20131121/LIFESTYLES03/311200037/Cancer-study-signs-up-more-than-150).
Thank you very much for your timely consideration of my November 7, 2013 email request.

Sincerely yours,

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