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The Honorable Karen Bass
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Speaker Bass:

In your letter of October 5, 2009, you asked that I provide nominees for a pool of experts in Biochemistry and Toxicology from which you may select someone to fill a vacancy on the Toxic Air Contaminants Scientific Review Panel due to expiration of the current members' terms of appointment.

I am happy to provide you with names of individuals in these areas. The University has reviewed each individual's scientific research credentials and they were also asked to self-report any disclosures they deemed relevant to their service on the Toxic Air Contaminants Scientific Review Panel. We understand that any individuals appointed would also be subject to an interview and vetting process administered by your office.

In the area of Biochemistry, I am pleased to nominate the following:

Sarjeet Gill is a Professor in the Department of Cell Biology and Neuroscience at UC Riverside. His research uses a cellular and molecular approach to elucidate the mechanisms of toxicity and cell membrane transport. He is a frequent peer reviewer of scholarly publications and research grant proposals and a member of the American Chemical Society, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the Society of Invertebrate Pathology.

Chao-Yin Chen is an Associate Professor in the Department of Pharmacology at UC Davis. Her research focuses on how sensory information from the cardiovascular and lung receptors is processed and how that processing is altered in response to environmental factors such as exercise, stress, exposure to air pollution, hypertension, and obesity. She is a member of the Society for Neurosciences and the American Physiological Society.

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Barry Wilson is a Professor in the Department of Animal Sciences and Environmental Toxicology and a researcher in the Western Center for Agricultural Health and Safety. Dr. Wilson studies the modes of actions of environmental neurotoxicants, biomarkers of exposure and the effects of organophosphates and other esterase inhibitors on humans, experimental animals and wildlife. He is a member of the Society of Toxicology, the Society for Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry, and served on the EPA Science Advisory Board from 1989-1992.

In the area of Toxicology, I am pleased to nominate the following:

Laura Van Winkle is an Associate Adjunct Professor in the Department of Anatomy, Physiology and Cell Biology at the UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Van Winkle studies the effects of air pollution on childhood health, diseases and lung development. She is a frequent peer reviewer, a diplomate of the American Board of Toxicology and an Associate Editor of the peer reviewed journal, *Toxicology Letters*.

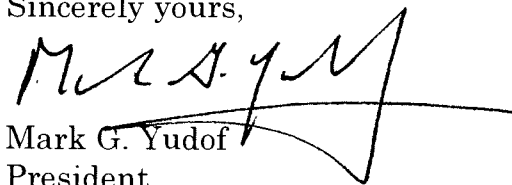
Carroll Cross is a Professor and Medical Co-Director of the Adult Cystic Fibrosis Clinics at UC Davis School of Medicine. He conducts research in inhalation toxicology and is an active physician. Dr. Cross is a Fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians.

Michael Kleinman is a Professor in the Department of Medicine at the UC Irvine School of Medicine, Co-Director of the Air Pollution Health Effects Laboratory, and a member of the UCI Center for Occupational and Environmental Health and the UCI Chao Family Comprehensive Cancer Center. Dr. Kleinman conducts research on the mechanisms by which inhaled toxic chemicals, alone and in mixtures, interfere with the cardiopulmonary system and with respiratory system defenses. He was a co-author of the 1999 National Academies of Sciences report, *Strategies to Protect the Health of Deployed U.S. Forces: Force Protection and Decontamination*.

All of these individuals have been contacted and, if selected, are willing to serve on the panel. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me if additional information is needed.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,



Mark G. Yudof
President

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