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Mr. Michael Bender Mercury Policy Project 1420 North Street Montpelier, Vermont 05602

Dear Mr. Bender:

The Domestic Policy Subcommittee of the Oversight and Government Reform Committee requests your testimony at a hearing, entitled, "Assessing EPA's Efforts to Measure and Reduce Mercury Pollution from Dentist Offices," on Wednesday, May 26, 2010 at 2:00 p.m., in Room 2154 Rayburn House Office Building.

We expect your testimony to put into context the significance of mercury pollution from dental sources, to present new evidence that airborne releases of mercury attributable to crematoria are greater than previously believed, and that you provide the perspective of Non-Governmental Organizations on the development and implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding on Reducing Dental Amalgam Discharges.

The Domestic Policy Subcommittee has broad jurisdiction over many federal agencies and policies. The Oversight and Government Reform Committee is the principal oversight committee in the House of Representatives, with broad oversight jurisdiction as set forth in House Rule X. An attachment to this letter provides additional information about how to respond to the Subcommittee's request.

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If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Jaron Bourke, Staff Director, at (202) 225-6427.

Sincerely,

Dennis J. Kucinich

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cc: Jim Jordan

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Witness Information Sheet

The following is a summary of some of the pertinent rules and procedures applicable to witnesses testifying before the **Domestic Policy Subcommittee**, Oversight and Government Reform Committee:

- Each witness should provide his or her written statement in electronic format to Jean Gosa, Clerk, at jean.gosa@mail.house.gov, no later than 10:00 a.m. three business days prior to the hearing. In a separate email to jean.gosa@mail.house.gov and by the same deadline, each witness should also provide a one-paragraph biographical statement, highlighting the witness's experience that is relevant to the subject of his or her testimony. Finally, each witness should bring 100 copies of his or her statement to the hearing room at the time of the hearing or to Room B-349B Rayburn House Office Building prior to the hearing.
- At the hearing, each witness will be asked to summarize his or her written testimony in five minutes in order to maximize the time available for discussion and questions.
- House Rule XI clause 2(g)(4) requires that witnesses appearing in a nongovernmental capacity submit to the Committee in advance of the hearing "a curriculum vitae and a disclosure of the amount and source (by agency and program) of each Federal grant (or subgrant thereof) received during the current fiscal year or either of the two previous fiscal years by the witness or by an entity represented by the witness." Please send a copy of your curriculum vitae and a signed scanned copy of the attached Witness Disclosure Form as two attachments to a separate email to jean.gosa@mail.house.gov no later than 10:00 a.m. two business days prior to the hearing.
- The Committee does not provide financial reimbursement for witness travel or accommodations. Witnesses with extenuating circumstances, however, may submit a written request for such reimbursements to Robin Butler, Financial Administrator, Oversight and Government Reform Committee, 2157 Rayburn House Office Building, at least one week prior to the hearing. Reimbursements will not be made without prior approval.
- Witnesses with disabilities should contact Committee staff to arrange any necessary accommodations.
- The Oversight and Government Reform Committee is the principal oversight committee in the U.S. House of Representatives. The jurisdiction of the Committee is set forth in House Rule X clauses 1(m), 2, 3(i), and 4(c).
- Committee Rules governing this hearing are online at http://oversight.house.gov/rules/.

For inquiries regarding these rules and procedures, please contact the **Domestic Policy Subcommittee** at (202) 225-6427.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Witness Disclosure Requirement – "Truth in Testimony" Required by House Rule XI, Clause 2(g)(4)

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2. Are you testifying on behalf of any entity other than yourself?	☐ Yes	□ No
If you answered "Yes" to question 2, answer questions 3 and 4. If you answered "No," sign an	d date the form	below.
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