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Honorable Lee M. Thomas, Administrator
U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
Washington, D. C., 20460

Dear Mr. Thomas:

As the representative of the professional staff at headquarters, National Federation of Federal Employees Local 2050 is concerned about the scientific basis for the newly authorized Recommended Maximum Contaminant Level (RMCL) for fluoride in drinking water. Our concern is based on the possible impact of the RMCL on our professional reputations. In order to alleviate this concern, Local 2050 proposes to sponsor a seminar devoted to the scientific support work for the RMCL. The scientists who developed the support document will be invited to present their work to their colleagues and other interested parties.

As you know, our union is devoted to promoting professional excellence among EPA professionals. Professional excellence in the work of EPA staff cannot but bolster public confidence in all that the Agency does, and we are certain that you share our goal of making EPA a center of excellence and of public confidence.

We will schedule the seminar for a time in the next several weeks and for a location convenient to EPA headquarters. Your attendance would be most welcome, and we would make every effort to accommodate your schedule. Please let us know if you will be able to attend and whom to invite to present the seminar.

We look forward to continuing cooperation between your administration and our union in furthering the public interest.

Sincerely,

/s/

Robert J. Carton, Ph. D.
President-Elect
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