EXTERNAL:

To the Department of Pesticide Regulation:

I oppose the Department of Pesticide Regulation's proposed regulation of the cancer-causing fumigant 1,3-dichloropropene, which chooses Dow Chemical's preferred cancer risk level over the 14 times more health protective level set by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA).

Farmworker communities will suffer far more exposure than OEHHA considers safe if this regulation is implemented as is. Those most impacted are overwhelmingly Latino and Indigenous. This is environmental racism.

OEHHA's cancer risk warning level for all Californians of 0.04 parts per billion must be the target level of any 1,3-D regulation.

Sincerely,

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