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Subject: Asking to REWRITE the ENVIRONMENTALLY RACIST regulation
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EXTERNAL:

To the Department of Pesticide Regulation:

You must rewrite the environmentally racist regulation of 1,3-dichloropropene you have put forward for public review.

The essential workers don't value 14 times less than others, our families, our children, even you that are reading this email, (if someone reads it) you're putting your health and your longevity in risk, because of these pesticides.

You have the power to change the future of this world.

There's proof that many agricultural workers are dying from cancer because they are always breathing the poisonous air. including my father in law who worked for more than 30 years applying these pesticides to the fields, and this silent anime killed him in less than 3 weeks.

I call on you to redesign your rule for cancer-causing 1,3-dichloropropene (1,3-D) to follow the official Prop 65 safe harbor level established by the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) of 3.7 micrograms per day, as opposed to your current 50 micrograms per day for which the manufacturer Dow Chemical advocated.

DPR's draft rule is designed to keep 1,3-D air concentrations below an average of 0.56 parts per billion (ppb); however, the OEHHA safe harbor level for cancer, which converts to 0.04ppb, is 14 times lower. All parts of the 1,3-D rule must target the level OEHHA toxicologists have determined is safe.

I think the lives of people in my community and my agriculture family are not worth 14 times less than those in non-ag communities.

You can't have separate and unequal cancer warning levels: one for non-agricultural communities and a weaker one for majority Latino agricultural communities. That is environmental racism.

Sincerely with hope,

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