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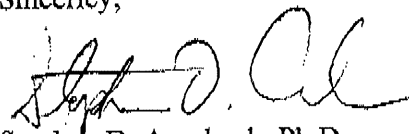
Dear Andrea Mazke:

RE: Oregon's Water Quality Standards

I am writing in support of moving quickly to adopt Oregon's draft human health criteria for toxics based on the accurate fish consumption rate of 175 grams per day. It is important not to weaken this draft with the addition of variances that are not affected by this rule making.

Your efforts in maintaining high quality water standards will be appreciated by our children and future generation of citizens in Oregon.

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Stephen D. Auerbach, Ph.D.