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I was not able to make the meeting that was held but wanted to make my voice heard. I am a fused glass artist and also an environmentalist so I am deeply concerned about the concentrations of heavy metals around the glass making factories and do believe that it seems some DEQ rules do need to be strengthened not just for the glass factory but for other manufacturers in the dense Portland neighborhoods.
What I would like to address is a specific rule the DEQ is proposing in its temporary list related to Chromium III. There is a concern it could convert to Chromium VI which is the serious pollution concern. What I understand from the experts, such as Dr. LaCourse a leading glass scientist from Alfred University, is that the way the glass furnace operates in the making of glass would not allow this to happen as it would destroy the product. I think the decisions involved need to be based on science. Otherwise out of fear and misinformation you are needlessly destroying businesses,and jobs.

Thank you for hearing my concern,

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