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Hello,
I am writing to you all today in support of Bullseye Glass. I have used Bullseye Glass in our classrooms for many years as did the teachers before me and I feel compelled to speak out against the targeted affront on Bullseye Glass.
We teach our students to work for the power of good and to gather all evidence before making a case and decision. I know that today the DEQ will be making a proposal that will potentially harm the employees, the artists, many Portland teachers and an organization that has built an international reputation that has put Portland on the map in its industry, and they will be doing so without scientific evidence of the issues Bullseye is accused of.

I am an artist and educator and do my homework before choosing materials to use in my classroom and the organizations I buy the materials from. As a teacher it is an important part of walking our talk!

Their is scientific evidence that clearly indicates their furnaces **cannot** turn Chromium III into Chromium VI. If they did, their glass would be ruined. For more information on this, see this explanation by Dr. LaCourse of Alfred University: http://www.bullseyeglass.com/about-us/dr-lacourse-chromium-statement.html

When I first heard of the issues with the toxins found in SE I worried too. I live within 1.5 of Bullseye and drive past it going to and from work daily, for years! As I teach my students, gather your evidence, make a decision based on fact, not fear or peer pressure. I am not worried about the emissions from Bullseye until the evidence is clear- and it is not! The DEQ is making assumptions based on a lack of information and public fear in sighted by some people not doing their jobs and incorrect news reports. Don't fall into the trap of not doing your homework, caving to peer pressure and doing harm to many people in the aftermath.

Please support Bullseye Glass, our small Portland business and don't sentence them before the jury is out.

Thank you,

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