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To: HAMMOND Joni
Subject: Portland contamination: Bullseye Glass
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Dear Mr Hammond

I was very saddened to hear of the problems in Portland and sincerely hope that the scientists swiftly discover the source of the problem and measures are put in place to rectify and prevent further contamination. Health is, without question, paramount. The reason I feel compelled to write to you today is to support you in your decisions as you must be under enormous pressure to be seen to do something from residents of Portland who quite rightly are deeply concerned for their health. To presume the blame on one factory, Bullseye Glass, specifically the pending temporary ban of the use of Chromium III, before the facts are fully understood, however, will have serious detrimental repercussions for the factory; their employees and for Artists, like me, who rely on Bullseye Glass for our work. Bullseye glass is unique, it's the best quality fusing glass available, globally. Because of its uniqueness and compatibility we cannot just use someone else's glass in the interim. I appeal to you not to make a rash decision in the hopes of quelling the protestors and those that are demanding action. Testing IS action, and Bullseye have already actioned improvements to their emissions, beyond the measures they're required to take, because they care. Chromium III is not the reason for contamination from this factory and therefore to prevent it's use, temporary or not is injudicious.

Kind regards

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