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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES

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Ms. Diane Manning, Docket Office Manager  
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NIOSH  
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Dear Ms. Manning,

In response to your request for information, regarding the Worker's Family Protection Act (29 USC 671a), I can offer one case of possible contamination of a worker's home by lead that was possibly transported from the workplace on the worker's person/clothing.

This involves a 29 year-old self-employed painter who has been working as such for the past 14 years. His blood lead level of 29.90 ug/dL was reported to the CT state health department in December, 1993. In response to a letter I sent him, informing him of his level and recommending that he return for another blood lead level, he called for more information. This permitted me to conduct a telephone interview.

This painter does not use any protective equipment while performing his job. He is a cigarette smoker. He went to see the doctor because he was experiencing nausea and dizziness. He was hospitalized over the summer, as a psychiatric admission. At that time a heavy metals workup was not performed.

He has two young children living with him, and were recently found to have lead levels of 16-19 ug/dL. An epidemiological investigation by the local health department is pending, to assess lead exposure. Information about occupational exposure and childhood lead poisoning was sent to this individual.

I hope that this is of assistance to you. Thank you for your time.

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Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Betty C. Jung".

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