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To Whom It May Concern:

I am forwarding to you a copy of an email that I sent to a New York State agency on health statistics. My email was sent to them in response to an article I read in the current edition of the Binghamton Press & Sun Bulletin concerning the chemical exposure of current and retired IBM employees. As I indicated in the email, I believe the IBM worker study should be conducted in an expeditious manner. I think IBM did a good job in trying to protect the overall environment of their employees, but as I indicated in the email I know that myself as well as others that I know were exposed to short term conditions of exposure of chemicals that are now identified in the Endicott, NY plum. If I can be of further help in this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Subject: Recommend Study of Current and Retired IBM Employees.

From:

Date: Wed, 28 Mar 2007 09:52:37 -0400

To: beoe@health.state.ny.us

As an IBM retiree and one of the 28000 employees talked about in a recent article in the Binghamton Press & Sun Bulletin, I truly believe that the cancer study on these employees should be done in an expeditious manner. I worked at IBM Endicott for years and a good portion of that time was involved with many of the chemicals now identified in the Endicott plum. I also believe that IBM took reasonable care to insure that the work areas that I was involved in met a good safety level. However, I do know that I was exposed on periodic short term basis to the chemicals in the plum. To date from a health standpoint, I do not have any indication that my health suffered as a result of those exposures. What the future holds, I can't say, but I do believe that every available study that can be done, should be done. If I can be of help, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.