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Dear Dr. Garabrant:

This letter amends Confidentiality Certificate NIEHS 04-13, protecting the identity of research subjects in your project entitled "Michigan Dioxin Exposure Study" by adding three research sites, Foote Hospital, Jackson, MI, Lifespan, Battle Creek MI, and Regional Medical Laboratories, Battle Creek, MI, and amending the consent forms.

Be sure to attach this amendment to your copy of the original certificate.

Please be sure that the consent form given to research participants accurately states the intended uses of personally identifiable information (including matters subject to reporting) and the confidentiality protections, including the protection provided by the Certificate of Confidentiality with its limits and exceptions.

If you determine that the research project will not be completed by the expiration date, May 31, 2007, you must submit a written request for an extension of the Certificate three months prior to the expiration date. If you make any changes to the protocol for this study, you should contact me regarding modification of this Certificate. Any requests for modifications of this Certificate must include the reason for the request, documentation of the most recent IRB approval, and the expected date for completion of the research project.

Please advise us of any situation in which the certificate is employed to resist disclosure of information in legal proceedings. Should attorneys for the project wish to discuss the use of the certificate, they may contact the Legal Counsel, National Institutes of Health at (301) 496-6043.

Correspondence should be sent to the attention of either Donna Jones or myself at: National Institutes of Health, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, Building 31, Room 5A33, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Maryland 20892-2486, phone number 301-496-5931 and fax number 301-402-0299.

Sincerely yours,

Alesha Hopkins
NIEHS Certificate of Confidentiality Coordinator