



Dear Ms. Townsend,

Thank you very, very much for the opportunity to comment on this advancement in addressing historic mining practices here in our state. I have been following our progress in addressing mercury contamination since 2001, when I began my graduate thesis on Mercury Policy in the State of California. Since then I have been involved professionally and voluntarily.

During the hearing in Sacramento, I was heartened to hear such detailed comments and with that will keep mine to just one. I suggest your policy comprehensively details an integrated approach for identifying protocol and methodologies that help identify mercury sources and tribal requirements surrounding the targeted reservoirs. A phased data collection could help in justifying site prioritization. TechLaw developed a Mercury Protocol Program for the State of Utah using this same type of holistic approach. This holistic statewide watershed approach produces responsible stewardship over our scarce state resources.

Sincerely,

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