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Mr. Tony Walker, REM
Ms. Alyssa Taylor, Air Section Manager
2309 Gravel Dr.
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RE: Sandra DenBraber

Dx: 987.8 - Toxic effect of other specified gases, fumes or vapors

Dear Mr. Walker and Ms. Taylor:

Sandra DenBraber has been my patient for over 20 years. She is being treated for hypersensitivities to chemical fumes and odors and has been stable for many years in her safe home. She has resided in the same home since 1984 not using any gas. She had the gas meters and pipes removed in 1991 when she purchased this property. She uses an air filtration system within her home as well as all green cleaning products. She has a strict diet of organic foods only. Prior to November 2007 the patient was stable with 10 physician visits for the two years prior related to her hip and subsequent replacement. Since November 23, 2007 she has seen me 79 times regarding reactions to the diesel exhaust and other chemicals she is being exposed to from the oil and gas drilling, subsequent installation of a compressor station and fractionating being done within 600ft of her home. The rig was set up in November 23, 2007 with drilling beginning shortly after that. In the beginning of Jan. 2008 the patient reports that the fumes would set off her carbon monoxide detector in the middle of the night and at that same time the odor outside her home resembled an oil refinery. At various times she reports that there can be up to 10 diesel engines running simultaneously at which time she can smell diesel within her home.

Her health effects include exacerbation of her asthma, frequent migraines, increased fatigue, elevated white blood cell count, nausea, decreased appetite, aching joints, flu like symptoms, low temperature, sleep disturbance, elevated blood pressure, nasal congestion, coughing, airway spasms and shortness of breath. She has been restricting her time outside to only that which is necessary. Despite treatment the progression of illness has been steady and she is now quite ill and debilitated being sustained by high doses of antioxidants, amino acids, supplements and IV therapy depending on the severity of her symptoms. Additionally she received Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy in the spring of 2008 for carbon monoxide poisoning. Part of the treatment protocol prescribed is avoiding the triggering agents which in this case are the variety of chemical fumes and odors being generated close to her home.

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In December 2009 she was found to have volatile solvents in her blood. Those solvents detected were ethyl benzene, xylene, hexane, 2-methylpentane and 3-methylpentane. As her treating physician since 1984, there is nothing in Ms. DenBraber's work experience or personal lifestyle that supports these results.

**Discussion:** Upon review of Ms. DenBraber's medical history, laboratory results, and progression of her illness since November 2007, it is my medical opinion that her current illness and inability to recover is related to her constant and continual exposure to diesel exhaust fumes and other chemicals associated with the oil and gas drilling/fractionating and compressor station within 600ft of her home. I have recommended that she relocate but due to financial constraints she is unable to. She could benefit from additional treatment but is unable to do so due to the already added burden of her current treatment. Continued exposure to the fumes and chemicals associated with the oil and gas drilling/fractionating process will intensify her illness. More likely than not her recovery will begin at which time she is no longer exposed to the diesel exhaust and other drilling associated chemicals.

If you have any further questions please contact me.

Sincerely Yours,

Alfred R. Johnson, D.O.

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