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The Honorable John D. Dingell Chairman, Committee on Energy and Commerce House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for your letter of March 27, 2007, jointly signed by Chairman Bart Stupak, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, asking to be a co-requester of a review of risks associated with the proliferation of biosafety level 3 and 4 laboratories. The review was requested by Ranking Member Christopher Shays, Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

We have discussed your interest with staff for Representative Shays and he has agreed to include you as a co-requester of this work. Your letter has been forwarded to Dr. Nancy Kingsbury, Managing Director, Applied Research and Methods. Dr. Kingsbury or a member of her team will be in contact with Mr. John Sopko to discuss the engagement.

If you have questions please contact Dr. Kingsbury at 202-512-2700 or Ms. Doris Cannon, Assistant Director for Congressional Relations at 202-512-4507.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: The Honorable Christopher Shays
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