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Dear Dr. Sinks:

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations on Tuesday, June 12, 2007, at the hearing entitled "Poisoned Patriots: Contaminated Drinking Water at Camp Lejeune." We appreciate the time and effort you gave as a witness before the Subcommittee.

Under the Rules of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the hearing record remains open to permit Members to submit additional questions to the witnesses. Attached are questions directed to you from certain Members of the Committee. In preparing your answers to these questions, please address your response to the Member who has submitted the questions and include the text of the Member's question along with your response

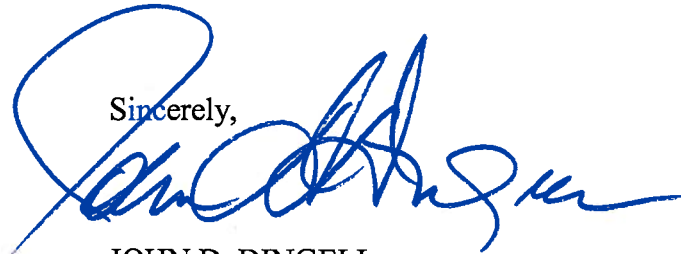
To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, your responses to these questions should be received no later than the close of business **Friday, August 10, 2007**. Your written responses should be delivered to **316 Ford House Office Building** and faxed to **202-225-5288** to the attention of Kyle Chapman, Legislative Clerk. An electronic version of your response should also be sent by e-mail to Mr. Kyle Chapman at kyle.chapman@mail.house.gov in a single Word formatted document.

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Thank you for your prompt attention to this request. If you need additional information or have other questions, please contact Kyle Chapman with the Committee staff at (202) 226-2424.

Sincerely,



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CHAIRMAN

Attachment

cc: The Honorable Joe Barton, Ranking Member
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The Honorable Bart Stupak, Chairman
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The Honorable Ed Whitfield, Ranking Member
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The Honorable Gene Green, Member
Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigation

The Honorable Gene Green

1. Mr. Sinks, in your testimony, it states that the Agency for Toxic Substances Disease Registry (ATSDR) has conducted studies on children that may have been exposed to trichloroethylene (TCE) and tetrachloroethylene (PCE) at Camp Lejeune. Has ATSDR considered studying adults who may have been exposed to TCE and PCE at Camp Lejeune?
2. In the studies that ATSDR has conducted, you have contacted the parents of children that have been exposed to TCE and PCE at Camp Lejeune. If you can contact those people to ask them to participate in a study and create a registry, then why not notify everyone who may have been exposed to water contamination at Camp Lejeune?