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Subject: Proposed Bulletin for Peer Review

Dear OMB Director Joshua B. Bolten:

The Office of Management and Budget should withdraw the proposed Bulletin and engage the scientific community in an open, transparent process.

I am an analytical chemist with a municipally-owned water and wastewater utility. I actively read research reports and believe in the power of peer review. The OMB proposal has a lot of merit, but needs more review.

One particularly egregious provision threatens to make it impossible for federally funded researchers to be part of peer review panels - - because prior funding or the intention to seek future funding from an agency would prohibit the agency from using these scientists as independent reviewers - but not exclude industry scientists who work for regulated parties from being part of the panels.

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