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Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs Lorraine Hunt  
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Dear Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs Hunt:

The "OMB Draft Guidelines for the Conduct of Regulatory Analysis and the Format of Accounting Statements" determines that saving the life of an elderly person is worth less than saving the life of a younger person. As I think of my mother who has raised her family and is now enjoying her grandchildren and great grandchildren I am deeply angered that my government would value her life less. If you are using this pretext to cut the value of health and safety standards in order to protect the industries that stand to gain from this White House initiative then I find this practice unethical. If analysis is fully applied, regulations for air pollution, toxic waste cleanup, food labeling and other quality of life issues could be weakened or not even implemented at all?and our senior citizens will feel the brunt of it since their health is the most vulnerable to dirty air and unhealthy food. Your role is to protect your citizenry. Do that, for all our people.

Sincerely,

Nona Donahue