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Dear Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs Hunt:

- •The analysis proposes to devalue the life of a human over 70 to 2/3 that of the rest of the population and lowers the established EPA price tag of a human life from \$6.1 million to \$3.7 million.
- ${ullet}$ The OMB's conclusion that the lives of senior citizens are less valuable raises serious ethical and scientific questions.
- •This is a mere 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.

Sincerely,

Tommie Ferguson