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As a scientist, I am keenly cognizant of the fact that peer review of science in the regulatory context is a very important process and one that requires the scientific community to be engaged in this discussion. The National Academy of Sciences, having issued several important reports on agency peer review as well as on broader issues relating to the role of science in regulation, is an appropriate forum for such discussion. Therefore, the OMB should withdraw their restrictive, proposed bulletin and engage the entire scientific community in an open, transparent process.

Sincerely,

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