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Dear Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs Hunt:

I am appalled that the "OMB Draft Guidelines for the Conduct of Regulatory Analysis and the Format of Accounting Statements" even considers lowering the cost of a value of a life! The reduction in value from EPA's past calculations of \$6.1 million to \$3.7 million seems like an incredible give away to the corporate world. In addition, saving the life of an elderly person should not be deemed as less valuable than saving the life of a younger person. The White House's conclusion that the lives of senior citizens are less valuable raises serious ethical and scientific questions.

Please stop the madness -- this will have very far reaching effect for years to come.

Sincerely,

Dawn M. Martin