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To Whom It May Concern:

When your agency was set up several years ago, I recall the sense of joy and satisfaction that i felt hoping that our country was finally entering the 21st century and embracing non-animal tested testing procedures. Once again, however, the government let not only me, but the rest of the American population down by wasting tax dollars and accomplishing absolutely nothing because they are too busy playing politics and not doing what is in the best interest of every citizen and living thing within our borders. I was appalled at reading your Five-year plan, since it makes no changes to the current policy that you are following. In your 10 years of existence you have approved one non animal testing measure, whereas counterparts of yours throughout the world approve dozens every year, yet you fail to approve even those ones that are widely accepted and used internationally. I would like to take a minute to urge that you change your current way of thinking and carrying out your goals and policies. We are entering the 21st century, we as Western nations claim to be civilized, yet we treat the lowest of all beings, livestock, mice, rabbits, etc. with no respect and dignity, which they deserve. These animals spend their lives inn confines, in pain, and die in the same manner, for political purposes that affect them in no way whatsoever. As time and technology have evolved, we have been shown time and time again that non animal testing methods are far superior to animal testing methods. They are more accurate, humane, and sensitive to the intricate human DNA than an animal ever could be. Please, for my sake and for the animals' sake, change your way of thinking and implementation and work effectively to end such a horrible injustice and cruelty that is continuing as you read this email message.

Thank you,

Michael Chase