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We had a power surge that caused a computer glitch and caused my previous email to be sent before it was finished. Here is the message again in it's entirety.

Thank you,
Stacey Fortenberry
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From: STACEY FORTENBERRY <[redacted](#)>
To: shane@niehs.nih.gov
Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2008 6:57 PM
Subject: Public comment on NTP Brief on Bisphenol A

To whom it may concern or influence,

I was appalled to read the findings shown in the NTP Brief on Bisphenol A. I can not believe we have let such a dangerous chemical infiltrate our society. To think that this one compound that is so common and widespread is possibly the cause of many different health concerns is very frightening!

Personally after reading some of the preliminary findings, I have great cause for concern for myself and my family. I can find possible correlations with some of our health problems and the side effects of exposure to Bisphenol A. I myself drink almost solely from plastic bottles. 90% of what I drink is water that is supplied in plastic bottles and has been for years. I thought I was doing my body well by drinking mostly water. Our city water is atrocious and that is why we used bottled.

I have almost constant urinary tract problems and infections, as well as a myraid of other health problems. I am "allergic" to the plastic tubing used in IV's, my body tries to clot them off very quickly. This has me wondering if the Bisphenol A present in so many things I use is causing this same type of effect, and that my body is rebelling from the exposure to it.

In addition to the possible effects this chemical might be having on me personally, I believe it is also affecting my 12 year old son. It is possible we are just starting to see signs of problems related to early onset puberty. He is physically maturing at a rather fast pace and we are being referred to a urologist by our family Doctor because of blood that is appearing in nocturnal secretions.

Would these things not concern anyone enough to want more thorough testing of Bisphenol A? I am fearful that this compound could be found to pose a significant risk to the public. Could this be the underlying cause of many of our society's health problems? I for one am spreading the word that this is something that we should not just take lying down. This stuff is everywhere and everyone is exposed to it in one way or another. We must demand further testing and research in this subject. It is the public's right to know if we are being slowly poisoned!!

Thank you for considering the opinions of a concerned private citizen.

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