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Dear Members of the Board:

1,2,3 TCP is a man-made carcinogen that contaminates 372 known California drinking water sources, largely in low income rural communities where faulty pesticides were sold.

Please set the TCP drinking water standard at 5 ppt (the detection limit) to protect public health and allow water systems to recoup water treatment costs from the companies that sold the contaminated pesticides.

Having recently spent one month in Viet nam, I know of the horrors that can arise from negligent treatment of our natural environment. During the Viet nam War (known as the American war by all Vietnamese), Dow was the major producer of Agent Orange, a compound that was used in a ten year offense on the Viet Cong where planes would spray the dense forestry in an effort to hinder the V.C.'s guerilla warfare tactics. While the mission was a huge failure, the effects of Agent Orange lived on. It is the reason for why 10% of Viet nam's population is disabled, and why the amount of arable land in the Vietnamese ecosystem is still abysmal.

Fifty years after the Viet nam war, Dow still has not admitted to its mistakes (the company assured the US Army that Agent Orange had no long term effects). Any rational person would be petrified to learn that the health of our drinking water is in the hands of Dow and Shell.

Adopting smarter practices now will save our posterity much more time and sorrow than we think. Look to the future!

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