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To: NIOSH Docket Office (CDC)  
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Subject: IBM Endicott Study

I support the IBM worker study- My husband, \_\_\_\_\_ died while still working for IBM at age \_\_\_\_\_. He had a rare form of cancer- \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_. He worked there for \_\_\_\_\_ years- many years as \_\_\_\_\_ engineer- later as \_\_\_\_\_ engineer- and finally many years were spent in \_\_\_\_\_ environmental engineering and industrial chemical processes.

I have NO IDEA whether IBM's chemicals contributed to his death. My personal belief is that IBM tried hard to protect their employees. I should know- as I worked for IBM in the \_\_\_\_\_ the Industrial Hygiene section! I do NOT believe those who say that IBM did not provide safegaurds, or did not try to follow the current recomended safe practices and chemical exposure limits.

However, I do know that some employees....can skirt the rules, and protections afforded to them- if they are trying to solve a problem that has a deadline. This practice could have made them more exposed and vulnerable.

I don't know that your study will be able to determine if IBM contributed to anyone's illness or death, but a study will give us more facts, statistics and in depth information- which is more than anyone has right now. Thank you for listening.