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American Thoracic Society   Association of Public Health Laboratories   Birth Defect  
Research for Children   Breast Cancer Prevention Partners (formerly Breast Cancer Fund)  
Children's Environmental Health Network   Endocrine Society   Environmental Working  
Group   Green Science Policy Institute   Healthy Schools Network   Huntington Breast Cancer  
Action Coalition, Inc.   Learning Disabilities Association of America   Lupus Foundation of  
America   The Myositis Association   National Center for Environmental Health Strategies  
National Environmental Health Association   Society for Occupational and Environmental  
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March 13, 2017

The Honorable Ken Calvert  
Chairman, Interior-Env. Subcm.  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Betty McCollum  
Rank. Mem, Interior-Env. Subcm.  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Calvert and Ranking Member McCollum:

As you prepare the Fiscal Year 2018 Interior, Environment and Related Agencies appropriations bill, the undersigned members of the Friends of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) would like to call your attention to the vital work being carried out by the NIH/National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) as a result of the annual

Within the Interior-Environment Appropriations bill, the NIE (SRP) supports research to address the health impacts from hazardous substances in the environment, develops clean-up technologies for hazardous waste, and advances new risk assessment methods. The

SRP researchers at Duke University are investigating ways to use naturally occurring cellulose nanomaterials for water treatment technologies, which are much more affordable and less energy-intensive than many other current technologies.

SRP scientists at the University of California, Davis determined the molecular mechanism underlying the beneficial effects of inhibiting an enzyme after heart attacks, opening the door for a new therapy to stop cardiac fibrosis.

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