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4030 E. Slauson Ave. Maywood, CA 90270

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Ms. Wayne Nastri Executive Director South Coast AQMD 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar California 91765

Re: Toxic Air Emmissions from Sterigenics Medical Sterilization plant in Vernon

Dear Ms. Nastri:

I am writing you to urge South Coast Air Quality Management you to force Sterigenics to cease operations of any activities that are contributing to elevated air emissions of a highly toxic chemicals ethylene oxide. Ethylene Oxide is both a neurotxcin and a carcinogen

Maywood exemplifies an environmental justice community due to its close proximity to multiple sources of air pollution—intermodal rail yards, industrial facilities in the adjoining City of Vernon, and the I-710 freeways. Residents here breathe some of the most toxic air in the four-county area that makes up the South Coast Air Basin. And, not surprisingly, the annual income per capita is less than half that of Los Angeles County residents.

As you know Maywood elementary school is located 1700 feet and the level of emissions are 1800 times the one in a million risk level, our community of Maywood is only 500 feet from the sterigenics facility. Please listen to the voice of our community. We do not want any additional health burdens. We want to see you approach be be in a cumulative impacts effect of all the contaminants this community is expose to Close down Sterigenics Now!

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