

June 15, 2015

Mr. David Ullrich
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Dear Mr. Ullrich:

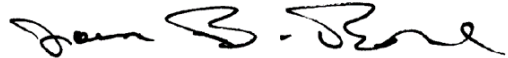
We believe that funds in support of the GLAB are a critical issue that till now has not been addressed. As committed as we all are to the GLAB and the GLRI, the requirement that committee members self-fund travel is a clear indication of lack of commitment to the work of the GLAB, and at variance with our experience with other EPA committee assignments. We are particularly concerned how this will impact the composition of the Science and Information Sub-committee, making it likely that academic, NGO and other interested parties will not be able to participate, and that the SIS will be populated only by members of agencies. That would detract from the likelihood that the Science and Information Sub-committee would represent diverse and independent expertise, and make it more likely that agency concerns dominate the work of that Subcommittee.

This concern of course extends to the GLAB as well. We ask that a discussion of funding of the GLAB and the Science and Information Sub-committee be put on the agenda for the July meeting, and that EPA officials are notified of this agenda item and asked to respond at the July meeting.

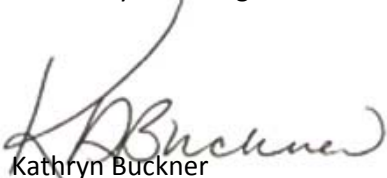
Sincerely,



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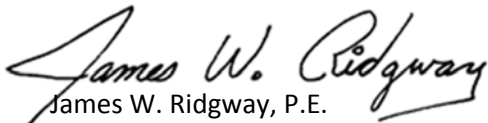
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