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Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs Lorraine Hunt  
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Dear Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs Hunt:

Dear Ms. Hunt:

I am personally outraged by this proposal from OMB that the EPA is to consider a senior citizen's life as only 63% as valuable as someone younger when engaging in cost-benefit analysis of pollution-regulating proposals and standards. This is simply preposterous and has no empirical basis in advantage and benefit other than to establish a back doorway to ease the regulatory burden for polluting industries at the expense of the public health! I wonder if the senior management of OMB is thinking of their own relatives and loved ones who might be 65 or older? I have my mother who will be 74 soon, and I am certainly thinking of her. She has worked her entire life and has payed, and pays, her taxes, gives immensely to charities, and is trying to enjoy her retirement. Is her well-deserved rest now to be outrageously compromised because the Administration wishes to continue to sugar-pave the way for big, polluting industry??? Not if I can help it! I plan on informing as many senior citizens as I know here where I live, and will pass on this website address for them to communicate their feelings about this, if they indeed have any. I am guessing that many of them will. I wonder if President Bush has calculated how many of his votes received for the Presidency came from senior citizens before he dreamt up this sham of a policy?? Shame on OMB and on this Administration for this outrageous proposed policy!!! Shame on you!!!!

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Sincerely,

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