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Dear Mr President,

I am concerned about pollution. In the sixties Carson's Silent Spring brought the dangers of untested chemical use to the attention of the country. She was viciously attacked by chemical companies but her brave direct writing prevailed and by 1970 President Nixon established the EPA. The effects on our air, water and health have been profound, but chemistry continues and both new compounds and new analyses continue to arise and require thorough assessment and appropriate regulation. Unfortunately Administrator Pruitt has been focused on self-aggrandizement and petty corruption while Ms Beck as head of the toxic chemicals unit has been catering to her old chemical industry contacts and making a mockery of the mandated reviews of potentially toxic chemicals. The refusal to consider many of the ways these compounds affect people is reminiscent of climate science denial. Ignoring science does not make it go away but it does enrich a few at great expense to the rest of us.

Please assure me that the EPA will return to protecting the environment.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from the government for the people.

Sincerely,

Eric Babson