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Dear Dr. William Stokes,

The following information was brought to my attention through the Humane Society of The United States.

***I IMPLORE YOU TO BEGIN EFFORTS TO COMPLETELY REPLACE
LETHAL DOSE TESTING WITH NON-ANIMAL, IN VITRO TESTING METHODS.***

ELIMINATE THE LD50 TEST

Animals are not without feeling.
They experience Joy, Love and FEAR, and PAIN.

I understand the need for animal testing, but with LIMITATIONS and not at all if OTHER MEANS ARE AVAILABLE, which they are:

"A recent workshop held by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), a government agency that researches the health effects of environmental hazards, addressed the feasibility of going one step further and replacing the animal tests completely with in-vitro cell culture tests."

I appreciate your thoughtful consideration to this very important topic.

There is too much suffering in this world, let us eliminate it whenever possible for ALL LIVING CREATURES.

Sincerely,

Ellen Grodjesk