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Dear Mrs. Back,

I had the pleasure of meeting you at the Sayadi' party for the Arts Council; therfore I am taking the opportunity of writing to you on a matter of real concern to me. I am unaccustomed to writing letters to persons I don't know.

Because of my own deep concern about the deteriorating quality of our environment and as a representative of the faculty of the University of Missouri at St. Louis, I attended the Symington hearings

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on environment recently held at Webster College. There Dick Gordon gave a fine presentation in his capacity as witness. When he was questioned by the Congressman about recent dangerous findings about PCB, he assured all in attendance that steps were being taken to stop its production. He assured me personally of the same.

You can imagine how troubled I was to read the enclosed article this morning. Not knowing much about science or about the operation

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of a major contamination which produces potentially dangerous chemicals, I do not know how to protect the innocent public from being endangered by this use or their destruction.

Stringent laws and fines can of course be imposed by our national government, but it seems to me that the adoption of such measures take too long correcting the present threatening level of our atmosphere. Nor can our nation to attain the magnificent quality of

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life of which it is capable will depend upon the leadership and moral standards set by men such as yours who have the ability, the knowledge and the strength to effect change in the deteriorating atmosphere of this spaceship the people of the whole world share.

Sincerely,
Jean A. Tucker

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