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Mr. Michael Last
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Dear Mr. Last:

I am writing to provide support for the Project XL proposal recently submitted by the Laboratory Consortium for Environmental Excellence (LCEE) to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

After having discussed various aspects of the project with LCEE members and other stakeholders during conference calls and one multi-day meeting, and having reviewed the Project XL proposal, I believe that the consortium's efforts represent a thoughtful and promising alternative to current regulation of hazardous wastes from academic laboratories.

I also base my conclusions and support on six years of direct laboratory experience when I was a graduate student of Chemical Engineering at MIT, plus an understanding of regulatory issues gained during my tenure at Tellus Institute, a non-profit environmental research and consulting organization.

Please contact me if you need any further information.

Best Regards,

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