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Dear Ms. Durocher-Jones:

Unfortunately, you have been misinformed about Mittal Steel's environmental performance.

We're environmental leaders already.

While we're never satisfied, and we're constantly looking for ways to improve, the fact is that the Cleveland plant emits far, far less than the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency allows — and far less than it did for most of its long history, before Mittal took over.

We are concerned about our neighbors, and we're eager to work with people and groups that want to work with us for constructive, positive change. The organization that wrote the form letter you used unfortunately has shown that it doesn't want to work with us or to even acknowledge other environmental issues that probably affect your health much more than our plant does.

Misinformation and innuendos only serve to distract those of us who are working in many ways for real environmental progress. Actually, continued use of this misinformation, after we've detailed their inaccuracies, is reckless distortion of the facts.

For one thing, this group faults us for monitoring our performance in the way that the EPA directs us to. If you'd like a copy of our response to the many errors in the so-called "citizen audit," just let me know.

As a health care professional, you should be aware that most of the environmental effects you complain of originate outside the city, outside the state and outside the country . . . and from motor vehicles . . . and from power plants. The odors about which neighbors have complained near I-77 and I-490 do not come from our facility but from other nearby industrial sites.

That doesn't make them any less real, but a myopic focus on our factory won't solve the problem.

As we continually look for real technological advances for our operations, we're also fully engaged with environmental experts at all levels. You might find it more productive to redirect your attention toward these constructive efforts as well.

Sincerely,

Terry Fedor
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