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**Subject: Erroneous Statement**

**Referring to the Following Paragraph**

EPA released the CCMA Asbestos Exposure and Human Health Risk Assessment on May 1, 2008. The result of the study concluded that visiting CCMA more than once per year can put adults and children above EPA's acceptable risk range for exposure to carcinogens and found an increased long-term cancer risk from engaging in many of the typical recreational activities at the CCMA.

**Discussion:**

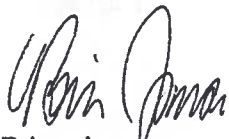
The EPA report (May 2008) clearly states that the risks are uncertain (marked in bold).

"Uncertainty related to the toxicity parameters of the risk characterization includes the application of the IRIS and OEHHA asbestos toxicity values, which were developed from epidemiological studies of occupational exposures, to infrequent and episodic recreational exposures. This uncertainty could mean that the actual risks could be much lower than those estimated in the CCMA assessment"

**Recommendation:**

*Alternative A represents the 'No Action' alternative and would reaffirm current management under the 1984 Hollister RMP (as amended). BLM would incorporate new health risk information into public outreach and education asbestos hazard information program to mitigate public health risk.*

The BLM needs to correct the report and replace the words "The result of the study concluded" to "The EPA report indicates the risks are uncertain".



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