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Ms. Janet Newton
President
Citizens and Professionals for the Responsible
Use of Electromagnetic Radiation
Post Office Box 221
Marshfield, Vermont 05658

Dear Ms. Newton:

Thank you for your letter dated January 31, 2002, regarding your concerns to protect human health from non-thermal effects of Radiofrequency/Microwave (RF/MR) radiation. In that letter, you stated that you wanted the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) to be aware of your request of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to issue a Notice of Inquiry regarding the environmental effects of radiofrequency radiation (RFR). In your letter you point out the possible responsibilities and implications for OSHA whether or not such an inquiry is opened.

As you have mentioned in your submission, OSHA's mission does not extend beyond the workplace. However, OSHA has, and will continue to work with the appropriate federal agencies and professional organizations to monitor the possible health effects from exposure to RF/MR exposure.

OSHA appreciates that the Citizens and Professionals for the Responsible Use of Electromagnetic Radiation advocates effective, protective measures against possible adverse health effects from RF/MW radiation, and thank you for your interest regarding the implications of such exposures for occupational health.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Henshaw", written in a cursive style.

John L. Henshaw