



## Memorandum

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From Laura Barr  
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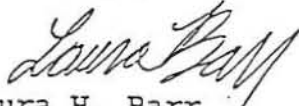
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Health Consultation on Health Outcome Data

To Addressees:

We have enclosed a health consultation on health outcomes, such as cancers and birth defects, of citizens living near the Industrial Excess Landfill, Uniontown, Ohio. In this consultation, the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) summarizes the available information and makes recommendations for further evaluation.

Concerns or questions on the health consultation should be directed to Laura Barr or Deborah Boling at 404-639-0628. Additionally, ATSDR staff will be available to discuss the consultation at future meetings of the Technical Information Committee.

Sincerely yours,

  
Laura H. Barr

Attachment

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## Memorandum

Date December 13, 1994

From Medical Officer, SSAB, DHAC (E32)  
Environmental Health Scientists, SSAB, DHAC (E32)Subject Health Consultation: Community Health Concerns near  
Industrial Excess Landfill, Uniontown, Ohio (50W2).To Louise Fabinski  
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## Background and Statement of Issues

The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) has received comments concerning several community health concerns expressed by residents of Lake Township, Stark County, Ohio, in the vicinity of the Industrial Excess Landfill. These concerns were expressed to ATSDR via a letter from Dr. Elaine B. Panitz, a board certified physician in occupational and environmental medicine, after she was asked to review a cancer death case in a young man who lived on the western edge of the Industrial Excess Landfill site in Uniontown, Ohio. Dr. Panitz's concerns were raised after she interviewed several area residents. There appeared to be an unusually large number of neoplasms in the group of individuals she interviewed. ATSDR has been asked to evaluate these community health concerns based on the available health outcome data. Dr. Panitz and the residents are concerned that there may be increased occurrences of bone cancer, reticuloendothelial system cancers, soft-tissue cancers, and birth defects. Specific cancer types of concern are: breast cancer, thyroid cancer, and central nervous system (CNS) cancers in children and young adults. (Attachment 1)

Industrial Excess Landfill (IEL) is a National Priorities List (NPL) site just outside of Uniontown, Stark County, Ohio (figure 1). From 1966 to 1980, the site was operated as an industrial and municipal waste dump. Landfill material included paper and lumber scraps, fly ash, masonry rubble and a variety of solid and liquid wastes.

In 1989, ATSDR released a public health assessment for IEL.<sup>1</sup> Some contaminants of concern included methane, volatile organic compounds (VOCs), and metals<sup>1,2,3</sup>. An active methane

venting system (MVS) was installed in 1987 and those residents in the area of groundwater contamination, west of the IEL, have been provided with alternate water since January 1991. The site is fenced and remediation is scheduled to begin in 1995. Currently ATSDR is reviewing environmental data collected after 1989. Consultations and opinions are provided to the Technical Information Committee (TIC).

According to the 1980 population estimates, 20,000 residents live within a 3-mile radius of IEL and approximately 3,000 people reside within a one-mile radius. There are approximately 400 residential homes within a 0.5 mile radius.<sup>1</sup>

Dr. Panitz and the citizens believe that possible exposure to toxic substances originating from the landfill have resulted in adverse health effects. (Attachment 1)

For the United States population as a whole, cancer is a common illness occurring in one in three individuals' lifetime.<sup>4</sup> The risk of developing a cancer increases with age.

The Ohio State Department of Health (OHDOH) does not have registry or mortality cancer data readily available at the community level (i.e. by zip code, census tract, or block). The only cancer mortality data readily available are at the county level and above.<sup>5</sup> Their birth defects data is also available only at the county level and above.

## Discussion

This health consultation will focus on the following questions as interpreted from the community concerns:

Have an excess number of bone cancers occurred in the past in the population of children and young adults in the community living near the Industrial Excess Landfill as compared to the number of bone cancers which occurred in the past in the State and surrounding communities?

Have an excess number of soft-tissue cancers occurred in the past in the population of children and young adults in the community living near the Industrial Excess Landfill as compared to the number of soft-tissue cancers which occurred in the past in the State and surrounding communities?

Have an excess number of birth defects occurred in the past in the community living near the Industrial Excess Landfill as compared to the number of birth defects which



occurred in the past in the State and surrounding communities?

In order to focus on these questions, ATSDR reviewed health outcome data. In our health outcome data analysis, we used the following information, which is discussed below:

- Cancer Mortality Rates in Ohio, 1986 - 1988<sup>10</sup>
- Childhood Cancer Burden in Portage, Stark, and Summit Counties, Ohio<sup>13</sup>
- Assessment of the Pediatric Cancer Burden in Portage, Stark, and Summit County, Ohio.<sup>14</sup>
- Letter from Dr. Elaine Panitz regarding health information on the IEL site in Uniontown, Ohio. Attachment 1
- Vital Statistics. 1979 - 1988.<sup>15,18</sup>

It should be noted that this analysis of health outcome data does not attempt to link cancer patterns with exposures to hazardous agents associated with the Industrial Excess Landfill site. Furthermore, it does not provide information on future patterns of cancer. Analysis of health outcome data cannot establish cause and effect relationships with environmental exposures. Rather it is an attempt to determine if indeed a higher number of cases of those specific cancers and birth defects exist in the community living near the IEL site. Our analysis will indicate why there is currently insufficient information to answer the above questions based on available health outcome data. However, our analysis will include recommendations for additional health outcome data collection and review.

#### Birth Defects Information

- Birth defects may arise in two to three percent of all births. Sixty to sixty-five percent of these birth defects are of unknown cause with twenty-five percent caused by genetic problems and five to ten percent caused by teratogenic agents.<sup>6</sup>

Environmental teratogens may be classified as follows: biological agents (viruses, bacteria, and protozoa), physical agents (radiation, hyperthermia), habitual practices (smoking and drinking), nutritional factors, and chemicals (drugs and toxic exposures in the workplace and general environment). Of birth defects caused by exposure to environmental agents, it

is estimated that four to six percent may result from exposure to chemicals.<sup>6</sup>

Birth defects information was not available from the Ohio Department of Health but could be made available on a limited basis. Before 1988, the birth certificates only contained the defect which was written in by the physician. During 1988-89, the birth certificate record was changed to include a list of birth defects so that the physician could check-off the appropriate defect to make the records more standardized (Attachment 2).<sup>7</sup> This information has been copied into computer format beginning with 1989 data. Counts and rates of specific birth defects can be done at the county level and above. For example, the Stark county rates for specific birth defects can be provided for the years 1989 to the present either for Stark county or Stark county excluding Akron metropolitan area.<sup>8,9</sup> These can be compared to other Ohio counties and the State.

The major difficulty of reviewing birth defects data from currently available birth defects records is that the data only covers a time span of four years with a relatively small number of exposed persons near the landfill within the one-mile radius. In addition, only county statistics are available and as explained previously only 2%-3% of all live births result in birth defects. The State of Ohio is currently reviewing the birth defects rates.

Letter from Dr. Panitz Regarding Health Information on the IEL site

The information from Dr. Panitz consists of several case histories and preliminary interview reports of possible tumors in the area surrounding the landfill in Uniontown; however, confirmations of many of the "tumors" described in the case histories through pathology and/or physician reports are not stated in the document.

Most of the information on possible cancers in the area surrounding the Industrial Excess Landfill in Uniontown, Stark County, Ohio lacks identifying information needed to make definitive conclusions. Identifying information should include name, sex, age (birth date), occupation, race, diagnosis, date of diagnosis, date of death (if applicable), address (approximate geographic location), telephone number, length of time in residence, contact person (i.e. patient, parent, friend, relative), method for contact, and physician contact. The data included in each case report varied.



Two previous health studies on the population of Stark County exist.<sup>10,12,13</sup> The first study is of cancer mortality in the state of Ohio and its constituent counties. This study was initiated as part of an effort to increase surveillance of cancer in the state of Ohio. The study was an analysis of the population-based computerized death records of Ohio residents with the underlying cause of death attributed to cancer during the years 1986 through 1988.<sup>10</sup> The second study was an assessment of the pediatric cancer burden in Stark, Portage, and Summit counties.<sup>12,13</sup> This study was conducted as a direct result of regional community health concerns regarding childhood cancer and environmental exposures.

#### Cancer Mortality in Ohio<sup>10</sup>

The Ohio Department of Health, in an effort to increase surveillance of cancer in Ohio, issued a report on the rates of cancer mortality in Ohio from 1986 - 1988. The cases were defined as deceased Ohio residents with the underlying cause of death attributed to cancer. Linear extrapolation of Ohio's 1970 and 1980 Census populations was used to estimate the population at risk in the 88 counties and seven selected cities during the observation period.

Death certificate information is subject to recording and diagnostic errors and may not be a true indicator of the number of people diagnosed with cancer but provides a good indication of the prevalence of the disease in the population. The county rates may not be representative of the specific cities located in each county because of possible population errors, differences in demographic make-up of the populations, and also the case averaging due to the small number of cancer cases in the numerator.<sup>11</sup>

No conclusions regarding cancer were drawn by the Ohio Department of Health.<sup>4</sup>

#### Childhood Cancer Burden Study<sup>13,14</sup>

Standardized Mortality Ratios (SMRs) [the number of deaths observed in a given population / the number of deaths expected in that population, given the death rates from a comparison population] and Standardized Incidence Ratios (SIRs) [the number of new cases of a disease in a given population / the number of new cases expected in that population, given the rates of new disease in a comparison population] were calculated by the Ohio Department of Health for total cancers and for four primary cancers (i.e. brain & central nervous

system (CNS), leukemia, lymphoma, kidney) for Portage, Stark, and Summit counties. Cases were also mapped according to residence location to see if any pattern of spatial clustering exists. Spatial clustering refers to whether or not a greater than expected number of cancer cases was observed in any specific part of the three counties over time. Incidence data was gathered from hospital records.

Based on statistical analysis, the observed number of deaths attributed to cancer were not significantly higher than expected for Portage, Stark, and Summit Counties (Table 1). The observed number of new cases was not statistically different from the expected number of cases [based on the Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results (SEER) Program data] (Table 2). According to the Ohio State Department of Health, mapping of cases did not reveal any visual evidence of spatial clustering. However, the cluster maps were not included with the reports furnished to ATSDR.

The study also reviewed the limitations of the available mortality data and the inherent errors that could appear in any epidemiological study such as the possibility that incident cases were missed, or that information was misreported because of inconsistencies in the way the hospitals were surveyed or the reporting of incident cases. Reporting errors could have caused duplication of incident cases, with a single case counted as two or more in the data set.

#### Vital Statistic Analysis (Cancer Mortality)

ATSDR analyzed the census and cancer mortality data available in a database administered by the National Centers for Health Statistics. Cancer mortality and census data for the years 1979 - 1988 were analyzed to see if any significant increase in cancer mortality occurred during those years (Tables 3 - 14). The deaths occurring in persons 5 - 24 years old were evaluated for the following cancer types: bone, leukemia, lymphatic and hematopoietic, brain, and all cancers. The expected number of cancer deaths in Stark County was projected using the rate for the State of Ohio.<sup>15,16,17,18</sup>

Analysis of these data did not indicate any significant excesses of cancers for the residents of Stark County as a whole, however it does not rule out the possibility that certain subpopulations in smaller areas of the county (i.e. the population surrounding the Industrial Excess Landfill) experienced excesses. This type of occurrence is known as



dilution of effect. This analysis has the same limitations as the previous mortality data analysis.<sup>11</sup>

This analysis can only serve as a descriptive tool since the analysis was based on data taken from death certificates. It is not necessarily indicative of the total number of people who are diagnosed with cancer. Cancer cases that occurred among persons now deceased may not be helpful in linking exposure to disease because of the lack of information on exposure, possible confounding factors such as filling out the form incorrectly or with misinformation, and random error associated with the observation of deaths.<sup>11</sup>

#### Future Data Sources

All primary malignancies with the exception of basal and squamous cell carcinoma of the skin and carcinoma *in situ* of the cervix diagnosed on and after January 1, 1992 are required to be reported to the Ohio Cancer Incidence Surveillance System (OCISS). The primary objective of the OCISS is to provide high quality data for the identification of high risk populations for various types of cancer in Ohio. The incidence information can be used in future years to evaluate if there is an increase of a particular cancer in a specific part of Ohio. The parameters included in the OCISS are described in attachment 3.<sup>19</sup>



## Conclusions

Based on the information reviewed, ATSDR concludes the following:

1. There are insufficient data available to either support or negate the concern that there are an excessive number of cancers near the Industrial Excess Landfill. The January 1992 implementation of the Ohio Cancer Incidence Surveillance System (OCISS) can be used in future years to evaluate if there is an increase of a particular cancer in a specific part of Ohio. Additionally, it will further help identify high risk populations for various cancers. However, these data do not currently cover a sufficient time span to give any reliable cancer rates compared to city, county, and state populations.
2. Birth defects data were also insufficient to determine if an excess number of birth defects occurred in the community near the Industrial Excess Landfill. Birth defects data were only recently (1988 to present) standardized by the State of Ohio. The State is maintaining a computer database for further investigation and is currently reviewing the birth defects rates. However, this database can only be used to extrapolate county birth defect rates. The size of the community in Uniontown coupled with the fact that only 2%-3% of all live births result in birth defects will make statistical analysis difficult to interpret.

Our conclusions from specific reports and databases are the following:

1. The Panitz report of possible cancer cases in Uniontown, Stark County, Ohio in the proximity of the Industrial Excess Landfill lacks information to reach any conclusions as to the extent of cancer found in the city, county, and state populations.
2. The Cancer Mortality Rates in Ohio, 1986-88 Final Report is solely descriptive. The data is taken from death certificates. No conclusions were drawn by the Ohio Department of Health or ATSDR.
3. The final report on the Assessment of Pediatric Cancer Burden in Portage, Stark, and Summit counties has errors inherent to analysis of mortality and incidence. The report better characterized the population at risk because it reviewed newly diagnosed cancer cases in the hospitals at each county and cross-referenced these cases with medical records between January 1, 1979 and June 30,

1987. In addition, the use of clustering helps in assessing whether or not a greater than expected number of cancer cases was observed in any specific part of the three counties. It was concluded in the report that the statistical analysis and mapping of deaths and cases did not indicate a need to further investigate the prevalence or mortality of childhood cancers in Portage, Stark, and Summit counties.

#### Recommendations

1. A birth defects review should include, if possible, the following: overall birth defect rate, anencephalus, microcephalus, other central nervous system anomalies, and other musculoskeletal/integumental anomalies.
2. When sufficient information is available, ATSDR should obtain the OCIS information from the Ohio Department of Health to determine if there is an increase in cancer burden in Uniontown, Stark County, Ohio in comparison to other counties and state rates. If an increase is indicated, a case series (medical records review) of the observed cancer cases should be considered.
3. Provide community health education by ATSDR and the Ohio Department of Health. This could include contaminant-related information about diseases at the site as well as information about diseases that have a high prevalence in the community but may not be site-related.
4. ATSDR should continue to review environmental data as it becomes available and to provide consultations and opinions through the Technical Information Committee.

#### Health Activities Recommendation Panel (HARP)

The data and information developed in the public health consultation for the community concerns near the IEL site have been evaluated by the ATSDR Health Activities Recommendation Panel (HARP) for appropriate public health actions. HARP has determined that the following actions are indicated. If records for Uniontown are available, a case series is recommended to review cases of cancer in the area and a review of birth defects data for the community surrounding IEL is recommended. Community health education is recommended to assist the community near the IEL site in understanding their potential for exposure. Health professions education is also recommended to assist the local health professional in



diagnosing, treating, and preventing injury or disease due to exposure to hazardous substances.

#### Public Health Actions

The purpose of the Public Health Action Plan (PHAP) is to ensure that this public health consultation not only identifies public health hazards but also provides a plan of action designed to mitigate and prevent adverse human health effects resulting from exposure to hazardous substances in the environment.

ATSDR in cooperation with appropriate public health agencies will evaluate the feasibility and resources necessary to pursue implementation of the health actions determined by the HARP. In addition, ATSDR will collaborate with appropriate federal, state, and local agencies to pursue the implementation of the recommendations outlined in this public health consultation.

ATSDR has requested that the Ohio Department of Health review birth defects data in the area of the IEL. ATSDR will continue to inform the community on health related issues through the Technical Information Committee.

ATSDR will continue to discuss health concerns with individual community members. ATSDR may encourage state health agencies to conduct health professions education.

ATSDR will evaluate this PHAP annually unless additional information warrants more frequent evaluation.





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Attachments

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Tables and Attachments

Table 1<sup>4</sup>

Portage, Stark and Summit County Pediatric Cancer - Observed<sup>1</sup> and Expected<sup>2</sup> cancer mortality in children 0-14 years of age, standardized mortality ratios (SMR) and 99% confidence intervals (99% CI) for January 1, 1980 - December 30, 1986

|                     | OHIO Rates |       |      |           | SEER Rates |      |           |
|---------------------|------------|-------|------|-----------|------------|------|-----------|
|                     | Obs        | Exp   | SMR  | 99% CI    | Exp        | SMR  | 99% CI    |
| PORTAGE             |            |       |      |           |            |      |           |
| Brain & CNS         | 5          | 2.40  | 2.08 | 0.45-5.89 | 1.93       | 2.59 | 0.56-7.34 |
| Leukemia            | 5          | 3.43  | 1.45 | 0.31-4.11 | 3.94       | 1.27 | 0.27-3.60 |
| Lymphoma            | 2          | 0.74  | 2.70 | +         | 0.74       | 2.70 | +         |
| Other               | 3          | 2.62  | 1.15 | +         | 2.95       | 1.02 | +         |
| All                 | 15         | 9.19  | 1.63 | 0.75-3.06 | 9.56       | 1.57 | 0.72-2.95 |
| STARK               |            |       |      |           |            |      |           |
| Brain & CNS         | 6          | 6.35  | 0.94 | 0.24-2.45 | 5.18       | 1.15 | 0.29-3.00 |
| Leukemia            | 11         | 9.18  | 1.20 | 0.47-2.48 | 10.41      | 1.06 | 0.42-2.19 |
| Lymphoma            | 4          | 2.03  | 1.97 | +         | 2.00       | 2.00 | +         |
| Other               | 6          | 7.15  | 0.84 | 0.22-2.19 | 7.83       | 0.77 | 0.20-2.01 |
| All                 | 27         | 24.71 | 1.09 | 0.63-1.76 | 25.42      | 1.06 | 0.61-1.71 |
| SUMMIT              |            |       |      |           |            |      |           |
| Brain & CNS         | 12         | 8.00  | 1.50 | 0.62-3.02 | 6.64       | 1.81 | 0.74-3.64 |
| Leukemia            | 14         | 11.60 | 1.21 | 0.54-2.32 | 13.07      | 1.07 | 0.48-20.5 |
| Lymphoma            | 1          | 2.65  | 0.38 | +         | 2.53       | 0.40 | +         |
| Other               | 10         | 9.44  | 1.06 | 0.39-2.27 | 10.11      | 0.99 | 0.37-2.12 |
| All                 | 37         | 31.69 | 1.18 | 0.74-1.76 | 32.35      | 1.14 | 0.71-1.70 |
| Three County Totals |            |       |      |           |            |      |           |
| Brain & CNS         | 23         | 16.75 | 1.37 | 0.74-2.29 | 13.75      | 1.67 | 0.91-2.79 |
| Leukemia            | 30         | 24.21 | 1.24 | 0.73-1.95 | 27.42      | 1.09 | 0.64-1.72 |
| Lymphoma            | 7          | 5.42  | 1.29 | 0.38-3.15 | 5.27       | 1.33 | 0.39-3.25 |
| Other               | 19         | 19.21 | 0.99 | 0.50-1.62 | 20.89      | 0.91 | 0.46-1.60 |
| All                 | 79         | 65.59 | 1.20 | 0.88-1.59 | 67.33      | 1.17 | 0.86-1.55 |

Table 1 explained:

+ less than 5 cases observed

<sup>1</sup> From Division of Vital Statistics, Ohio Department of Health

<sup>2</sup> From age, race, and sex specific 1978-1981 SEER rates and 1980-1986 Ohio rates applied to the average of the 1982 and 1984 NCI county population estimates.

The 99% Confidence Interval (99% CI) means that 99% of the estimates fall within the given range of indicated values.

Data compiled and calculations by Special Studies Branch,  
Division of Epidemiology, Ohio Department of Health.



Table 2<sup>14</sup>

Portage, Stark and Summit County Pediatric Cancer - Observed<sup>1</sup> and Expected<sup>2</sup> new cases in children 0-14 years of age, standardized incidence ratios (SIR) and 99% confidence intervals (99% CI) for January 1, 1979 - June 30, 1987.

|                     | Observed | Expected | SIR  | 99% CI    |
|---------------------|----------|----------|------|-----------|
| PORTAGE             |          |          |      |           |
| Brain & CNS         | 6        | 7.12     | 0.84 | 0.22-2.19 |
| Leukemia            | 13       | 10.68    | 1.22 | 0.52-2.39 |
| Lymphoma            | 5        | 4.12     | 0.97 | 0.21-2.75 |
| Kidney              | 0        | 2.37     | +    | +         |
| Other               | 4        | 10.61    | 0.38 | +         |
| All                 | 28       | 34.90    | 0.80 | 0.47-1.28 |
| STARK               |          |          |      |           |
| Brain & CNS         | 13       | 18.90    | 0.69 | 0.30-1.35 |
| Leukemia            | 26       | 27.62    | 0.94 | 0.53-1.53 |
| Lymphoma            | 19       | 10.80    | 1.76 | 0.89-3.09 |
| Kidney              | 6        | 6.51     | 0.92 | 0.24-2.40 |
| Other               | 32       | 28.19    | 1.14 | 0.69-1.77 |
| All                 | 96       | 92.03    | 1.04 | 0.79-1.34 |
| SUMMIT              |          |          |      |           |
| Brain & CNS         | 33       | 24.13    | 1.37 | 0.83-2.12 |
| Leukemia            | 39       | 34.68    | 1.12 | 0.72-1.66 |
| Lymphoma            | 13       | 13.34    | 0.97 | 0.42-1.90 |
| Kidney              | 10       | 8.81     | 1.14 | 0.42-2.44 |
| Other               | 32       | 36.09    | 0.89 | 0.54-1.38 |
| All                 | 127      | 117.06   | 1.08 | 0.86-1.35 |
| Three County Totals |          |          |      |           |
| Brain & CNS         | 52       | 50.15    | 1.04 | 0.70-1.48 |
| Leukemia            | 78       | 72.98    | 1.07 | 0.79-1.42 |
| Lymphoma            | 37       | 28.26    | 1.31 | 0.82-1.97 |
| Kidney              | 16       | 17.69    | 0.90 | 0.43-1.66 |
| Other               | 68       | 74.89    | 0.91 | 0.67-1.23 |
| All                 | 251      | 243.99   | 1.03 | 0.87-1.21 |

Table 2 explained:

<sup>1</sup> Reported by area hospitals and regional pediatric centers. Sixteen cases, county of residence unknown, have been randomly assigned to a county based on distribution of cases

<sup>2</sup> From age, race, and sex specific 1978-1981 SEER rates applied to the average of the 1982 and 1984 NCI county population estimates.

The 99% Confidence Interval (99% CI) means that 99% of the estimates fall within the given range of indicated values.

Data compiled and calculations by Special Studies Branch, Division of Epidemiology, Ohio Department of Health, 1988.

Table 3 - Numbers of Deaths and Proportional Comparison of 1979-1988 Cancer Mortality for Stark County versus Portage County, Summit County and the state of Ohio in persons 5 - 24 years old

| Age Group | Stark | Stark Proportion | Portage | Portage Proportion | Summit | Summit Proportion | State | State Proportion |
|-----------|-------|------------------|---------|--------------------|--------|-------------------|-------|------------------|
| 05 - 09   | 12    | 19.67%           | 8       | 25.00%             | 23     | 24.47%            | 341   | 18.67%           |
| 10 - 14   | 14    | 22.95%           | 3       | 9.38%              | 20     | 21.28%            | 333   | 18.27%           |
| 15 - 19   | 17    | 27.87%           | 8       | 25.00%             | 23     | 24.47%            | 496   | 27.21%           |
| 20 - 24   | 18    | 29.51%           | 13      | 40.63%             | 28     | 29.79%            | 653   | 35.82%           |
| Total     | 61    | 100.00%          | 32      | 100.00%            | 94     | 100.00%           | 1823  | 100.00%          |

\* ICD Code 140.0 - 239.9

Table 4 - Numbers of Deaths and Proportional Comparison of 1979-1988 Lymphatic and Hematopoietic Tissue Cancer Mortality for Stark County versus Portage County, Summit County and the state of Ohio in persons 5 - 24 years old

| Age Group | Stark | Stark Proportion | Portage | Portage Proportion | Summit | Summit Proportion | State | State Proportion |
|-----------|-------|------------------|---------|--------------------|--------|-------------------|-------|------------------|
| 05 - 09   | 8     | 25.00%           | 5       | 29.41%             | 8      | 18.60%            | 164   | 20.50%           |
| 10 - 14   | 9     | 28.13%           | 2       | 11.76%             | 9      | 20.93%            | 158   | 19.75%           |
| 15 - 19   | 6     | 18.75%           | 5       | 29.41%             | 13     | 30.23%            | 233   | 29.13%           |
| 20 - 24   | 9     | 28.13%           | 5       | 29.41%             | 13     | 30.23%            | 245   | 30.63%           |
| Total     | 32    | 100.00%          | 17      | 100.00%            | 43     | 100.00%           | 800   | 100.00%          |

\* ICD Code 200.0 - 208.9



Table 5 - Numbers of Deaths and Proportional Comparison of 1979-1988 Leukemia Mortality for Stark County versus Portage County, Summit County and the state of Ohio in persons 5 - 24 years old

| Age Group | Stark | Stark Proportion | Portage | Portage Proportion | Summit | Summit Proportion | State | State Proportion |
|-----------|-------|------------------|---------|--------------------|--------|-------------------|-------|------------------|
| 05 - 09   | 6     | 33.33%           | 4       | 36.36%             | 8      | 23.53%            | 136   | 23.90%           |
| 10 - 14   | 5     | 27.78%           | 1       | 9.09%              | 9      | 26.47%            | 126   | 22.14%           |
| 15 - 19   | 3     | 16.67%           | 3       | 27.27%             | 10     | 29.41%            | 158   | 27.77%           |
| 20 - 24   | 4     | 22.22%           | 3       | 27.27%             | 7      | 20.59%            | 149   | 26.19%           |
| Total     | 18    | 100.00%          | 11      | 100.00%            | 34     | 100.00%           | 569   | 100.00%          |

\* ICD Code 204.0 - 208.9

Table 6 - Numbers of Deaths and Proportional Comparison of 1979-1988 Bone Cancer Mortality for Stark County versus Portage County, Summit County and the state of Ohio in persons 5 - 24 years old

| Age Group | Stark | Stark Proportion | Portage | Portage Proportion | Summit | Summit Proportion | State | State Proportion |
|-----------|-------|------------------|---------|--------------------|--------|-------------------|-------|------------------|
| 05 - 09   | 0     | 0.00%            | 0       | 0.00%              | 0      | 0.00%             | 8     | 6.35%            |
| 10 - 14   | 1     | 25.00%           | 0       | 0.00%              | 2      | 33.33%            | 28    | 22.22%           |
| 15 - 19   | 3     | 75.00%           | 1       | 100.00%            | 4      | 66.67%            | 57    | 45.24%           |
| 20 - 24   | 0     | 0.00%            | 0       | 0.00%              | 0      | 0.00%             | 33    | 26.19%           |
| Total     | 4     | 100.00%          | 1       | 100.00%            | 6      | 100.00%           | 126   | 100.00%          |

\* ICD Code 170.0 - 170.9

Table 7 - Numbers of Deaths and Proportional Comparison of 1979-1988 Connective Tissue Cancer Mortality for Stark County versus Portage County, Summit County and the state of Ohio in persons 5 - 24 years old

| Age Group | Stark | Stark Proportion | Portage | Portage Proportion | Summit | Summit Proportion | State | State Proportion |
|-----------|-------|------------------|---------|--------------------|--------|-------------------|-------|------------------|
| 05 - 09   | 0     | 0.00%            | 0       | 0.00%              | 1      | 16.67%            | 13    | 13.40%           |
| 10 - 14   | 0     | 0.00%            | 0       | 0.00%              | 1      | 16.67%            | 18    | 18.56%           |
| 15 - 19   | 1     | 100.00%          | 1       | 33.33%             | 3      | 50.00%            | 26    | 26.80%           |
| 20 - 24   | 0     | 0.00%            | 2       | 66.67%             | 1      | 16.67%            | 40    | 41.24%           |
| Total     | 1     | 100.00%          | 3       | 100.00%            | 6      | 100.00%           | 97    | 100.00%          |

\* ICD Code 171.0 - 171.9

Table 8 - Numbers of Deaths and Proportional Comparison of 1979-1988 Brain Cancer Mortality for Stark County versus Portage County, Summit County and the state of Ohio in persons 5 - 24 years old

| Age Group | Stark | Stark Proportion | Portage | Portage Proportion | Summit | Summit Proportion | State | State Proportion |
|-----------|-------|------------------|---------|--------------------|--------|-------------------|-------|------------------|
| 05 - 09   | 4     | 44.44%           | 3       | 50.00%             | 6      | 33.33%            | 82    | 28.28%           |
| 10 - 14   | 2     | 22.22%           | 1       | 16.67%             | 5      | 27.78%            | 69    | 23.79%           |
| 15 - 19   | 3     | 33.33%           | 0       | 0.00%              | 2      | 11.11%            | 66    | 22.76%           |
| 20 - 24   | 0     | 0.00%            | 2       | 33.33%             | 5      | 27.78%            | 73    | 25.17%           |
| Total     | 9     | 100.00%          | 6       | 100.00%            | 18     | 100.00%           | 290   | 100.00%          |

\* ICD Code 191.0 - 191.9



Table 9

| Percentage of Deaths in State Attributed by County |                 |                           |                             |                            |                      |                        |                       |  |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| by Age and Cancer Type                             |                 |                           |                             |                            |                      |                        |                       |  |
| Age Group                                          | State<br>Number | Stark<br>County<br>Number | Portage<br>County<br>Number | Summit<br>County<br>Number | Stark<br>County<br>% | Portage<br>County<br>% | Summit<br>County<br>% |  |
| All Cancer Types                                   |                 |                           |                             |                            |                      |                        |                       |  |
| 05-09 years old                                    | 341             | 12                        | 8                           | 23                         | 3.5191               | 2.3460                 | 6.7449                |  |
| 10-14 years old                                    | 333             | 14                        | 3                           | 20                         | 4.2042               | 0.9009                 | 6.0060                |  |
| 15-19 years old                                    | 496             | 17                        | 8                           | 23                         | 3.4274               | 1.6129                 | 4.6371                |  |
| 20-24 years old                                    | 653             | 18                        | 13                          | 28                         | 2.7565               | 1.9908                 | 4.2879                |  |
| Lymphatic and Hemopoietic Cancer                   |                 |                           |                             |                            |                      |                        |                       |  |
| 05-09 years old                                    | 164             | 8                         | 5                           | 8                          | 4.8780               | 3.0488                 | 4.8780                |  |
| 10-14 years old                                    | 158             | 9                         | 2                           | 9                          | 5.6962               | 1.2658                 | 5.6962                |  |
| 15-19 years old                                    | 233             | 6                         | 5                           | 13                         | 2.5751               | 2.1459                 | 5.5794                |  |
| 20-24 years old                                    | 245             | 9                         | 5                           | 13                         | 3.6735               | 2.0408                 | 5.3061                |  |
| Leukemia                                           |                 |                           |                             |                            |                      |                        |                       |  |
| 05-09 years old                                    | 136             | 6                         | 4                           | 8                          | 4.4118               | 2.9412                 | 5.8824                |  |
| 10-14 years old                                    | 126             | 5                         | 1                           | 9                          | 3.9683               | 0.7937                 | 7.1429                |  |
| 15-19 years old                                    | 158             | 3                         | 3                           | 10                         | 1.8987               | 1.8987                 | 6.3291                |  |
| 20-24 years old                                    | 149             | 4                         | 3                           | 7                          | 2.6846               | 2.0134                 | 4.6980                |  |
| Bone Cancer                                        |                 |                           |                             |                            |                      |                        |                       |  |
| 05-09 years old                                    | 8               | 0                         | 0                           | 0                          | 0.0000               | 0.0000                 | 0.0000                |  |
| 10-14 years old                                    | 28              | 1                         | 0                           | 2                          | 3.5714               | 0.0000                 | 7.1429                |  |
| 15-19 years old                                    | 57              | 3                         | 1                           | 4                          | 5.2632               | 1.7544                 | 7.0175                |  |



Table 9. (continued)

| Percentage of Deaths in State Attributed by County |              |                     |                       |                      |                |                  |                 |  |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|--|
| by Age and Cancer Type                             |              |                     |                       |                      |                |                  |                 |  |
| Age Group                                          | State Number | Stark County Number | Portage County Number | Summit County Number | Stark County % | Portage County % | Summit County % |  |
| 20-24 years old                                    | 33           | 0                   | 0                     | 0                    | 0.0000         | 0.0000           | 0.0000          |  |
| Connective Tissue Cancer                           |              |                     |                       |                      |                |                  |                 |  |
| 05-09 years old                                    | 13           | 0                   | 0                     | 1                    | 0.0000         | 0.0000           | 7.6923          |  |
| 10-14 years old                                    | 18           | 0                   | 0                     | 1                    | 0.0000         | 0.0000           | 5.5556          |  |
| 15-19 years old                                    | 26           | 1                   | 1                     | 3                    | 3.8462         | 3.8462           | 11.5385         |  |
| 20-24 years old                                    | 40           | 0                   | 2                     | 1                    | 0.0000         | 5.0000           | 2.5000          |  |
| Brain Cancer                                       |              |                     |                       |                      |                |                  |                 |  |
| 05-09 years old                                    | 82           | 4                   | 3                     | 6                    | 4.8780         | 3.6585           | 7.3171          |  |
| 10-14 years old                                    | 69           | 2                   | 1                     | 5                    | 2.8986         | 1.4493           | 7.2464          |  |
| 15-19 years old                                    | 66           | 3                   | 0                     | 2                    | 4.5455         | 0.0000           | 3.0303          |  |
| 20-24 years old                                    | 73           | 0                   | 2                     | 5                    | 0.0000         | 2.7397           | 6.8493          |  |

Table 10

| 95.00% Confidence limits (based on Poisson) for Observed deaths and for the SMR due to death from brain cancer in the 5 - 24 years old age group |                 |                 |                          |        |        |                     |        |         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------|--------|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Year                                                                                                                                             | Observed Deaths | Expected Deaths | 95.00% C.I.* on Observed |        | SMR    | 95.00% C.I.* on SMR |        | P Value |
|                                                                                                                                                  |                 |                 | Lower                    | Upper  |        | Lower               | Upper  |         |
| 1979                                                                                                                                             | 3.0000          | 1.0800          | 0.6187                   | 8.7673 | 2.7778 | 0.5728              | 8.1178 | 0.0956  |
| 1980                                                                                                                                             | 1.0000          | 1.1900          | 0.0253                   | 5.5716 | 0.8403 | 0.0213              | 4.6821 | 0.6662  |
| 1981                                                                                                                                             | 0.0000          | 0.9800          | 0.0000                   | 3.6889 | 0.0000 | 0.0000              | 3.7642 | 0.3753  |
| 1982                                                                                                                                             | 1.0000          | 1.4700          | 0.0253                   | 5.5716 | 0.6803 | 0.0172              | 3.7902 | 0.5679  |
| 1983                                                                                                                                             | 2.0000          | 1.3900          | 0.2422                   | 7.2247 | 1.4388 | 0.1743              | 5.1976 | 0.4247  |
| 1984                                                                                                                                             | 0.0000          | 0.8100          | 0.0000                   | 3.6889 | 0.0000 | 0.0000              | 4.5542 | 0.4449  |
| 1985                                                                                                                                             | 0.0000          | 0.8700          | 0.0000                   | 3.6889 | 0.0000 | 0.0000              | 4.2401 | 0.4189  |
| 1986                                                                                                                                             | 2.0000          | 0.8300          | 0.2422                   | 7.2247 | 2.4096 | 0.2918              | 8.7044 | 0.2020  |
| 1987                                                                                                                                             | 0.0000          | 0.8200          | 0.0000                   | 3.6889 | 0.0000 | 0.0000              | 4.4986 | 0.4404  |
| 1988                                                                                                                                             | 0.0000          | 0.0088          | 0.0000                   | 3.6889 | 0.0000 | 0.0000              | 4.1919 | 0.4148  |

\* C.I. = confidence interval

Table 11

| 95.00% Confidence limits (based on Poisson) for Observed deaths and for the SMR due to death from lymphatic and hemopoietic cancers in the 5 - 24 years old age group |                    |                    |                             |         |        |                        |        |            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|---------|--------|------------------------|--------|------------|
| Year                                                                                                                                                                  | Observed<br>Deaths | Expected<br>Deaths | 95.00% C.I.* on<br>Observed |         | SMR    | 95.00% C.I.* on<br>SMR |        | P<br>Value |
|                                                                                                                                                                       |                    |                    | Lower                       | Upper   |        | Lower                  | Upper  |            |
| 1979                                                                                                                                                                  | 4.0000             | 2.6400             | 1.0899                      | 10.2416 | 1.5152 | 0.4128                 | 3.8794 | 0.2727     |
| 1980                                                                                                                                                                  | 3.0000             | 3.9000             | 0.6187                      | 8.7673  | 0.7692 | 0.1586                 | 2.2480 | 0.4532     |
| 1981                                                                                                                                                                  | 6.0000             | 2.8500             | 2.2019                      | 13.0595 | 2.1053 | 0.7726                 | 4.5823 | 0.0696     |
| 1982                                                                                                                                                                  | 3.0000             | 5.6500             | 0.6187                      | 8.7673  | 0.5310 | 0.1095                 | 1.5517 | 0.1853     |
| 1983                                                                                                                                                                  | 1.0000             | 2.7700             | 0.0253                      | 5.5716  | 0.3610 | 0.0091                 | 2.0114 | 0.2362     |
| 1984                                                                                                                                                                  | 1.0000             | 2.5900             | 0.0253                      | 5.5716  | 0.3861 | 0.0098                 | 2.1512 | 0.2693     |
| 1985                                                                                                                                                                  | 5.0000             | 2.1800             | 1.6235                      | 11.6683 | 2.2936 | 0.7447                 | 5.3524 | 0.0703     |
| 1986                                                                                                                                                                  | 5.0000             | 2.1800             | 1.6235                      | 11.6683 | 2.2936 | 0.7447                 | 5.3524 | 0.0703     |
| 1987                                                                                                                                                                  | 1.0000             | 2.1300             | 0.0253                      | 5.5716  | 0.4695 | 0.0119                 | 2.6158 | 0.3720     |
| 1988                                                                                                                                                                  | 3.0000             | 2.2300             | 0.6187                      | 8.7673  | 1.3453 | 0.2774                 | 3.9315 | 0.3853     |

\* C.I. = Confidence Interval



Table 12

| 95.00% Confidence limits (based on Poisson) for Observed deaths and for the SMR due to death from leukemia in the 5 - 24 years old age group |                 |                 |                          |         |        |                     |        |         |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------|---------|--------|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Year                                                                                                                                         | Observed Deaths | Expected Deaths | 95.00% C.I.* on Observed |         | SMR    | 95.00% C.I.* on SMR |        | P Value |
|                                                                                                                                              |                 |                 | Lower                    | Upper   |        | Lower               | Upper  |         |
| 1979                                                                                                                                         | 1.0000          | 2.0300          | 0.0253                   | 5.5716  | 0.4926 | 0.0125              | 2.7447 | 0.3979  |
| 1980                                                                                                                                         | 3.0000          | 2.9500          | 0.6187                   | 8.7673  | 1.0169 | 0.2097              | 2.9720 | 0.5565  |
| 1981                                                                                                                                         | 3.0000          | 1.9300          | 0.6187                   | 8.7673  | 1.5544 | 0.3206              | 4.5426 | 0.3044  |
| 1982                                                                                                                                         | 2.0000          | 3.7800          | 0.2422                   | 7.2247  | 0.5291 | 0.0641              | 1.9113 | 0.2721  |
| 1983                                                                                                                                         | 1.0000          | 1.8200          | 0.0253                   | 5.5716  | 0.5495 | 0.0139              | 3.0613 | 0.4569  |
| 1984                                                                                                                                         | 0.0000          | 2.0500          | 0.0000                   | 3.6889  | 0.0000 | 0.0000              | 1.7995 | 0.1287  |
| 1985                                                                                                                                         | 4.0000          | 1.4100          | 1.0899                   | 10.2416 | 2.8369 | 0.7730              | 7.2635 | 0.0549  |
| 1986                                                                                                                                         | 2.0000          | 1.5500          | 0.2422                   | 7.2247  | 1.2903 | 0.1563              | 4.6611 | 0.4588  |
| 1987                                                                                                                                         | 0.0000          | 1.5100          | 0.0000                   | 3.6889  | 0.0000 | 0.0000              | 2.4430 | 0.2209  |
| 1988                                                                                                                                         | 2.0000          | 1.5700          | 0.2422                   | 7.2247  | 1.2739 | 0.1563              | 4.6017 | 0.4653  |

\* C.I. = Confidence Interval

Table 13

| 95.00% Confidence limits (based on Poisson) for Observed deaths and for the SMR due to death from bone cancer in the 5 - 24 years old age group |                    |                    |                             |        |        |                        |         |            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|--------|--------|------------------------|---------|------------|
| Year                                                                                                                                            | Observed<br>Deaths | Expected<br>Deaths | 95.00% C.I.* on<br>Observed |        | SMR    | 95.00% C.I.* on<br>SMR |         | P<br>Value |
|                                                                                                                                                 |                    |                    | Lower                       | Upper  |        | Lower                  | Upper   |            |
| 1979                                                                                                                                            | 1.0000             | 0.6400             | 0.2053                      | 5.5716 | 1.5625 | 0.0396                 | 8.7057  | 0.4727     |
| 1980                                                                                                                                            | 0.0000             | 0.6500             | 0.0000                      | 3.6889 | 0.0000 | 0.0000                 | 5.6752  | 0.5220     |
| 1981                                                                                                                                            | 0.0000             | 0.3400             | 0.0000                      | 3.6889 | 0.0000 | 0.0000                 | 10.8496 | 0.7118     |
| 1982                                                                                                                                            | 0.0000             | 0.6800             | 0.0000                      | 3.6889 | 0.0000 | 0.0000                 | 5.4248  | 0.5066     |
| 1983                                                                                                                                            | 2.0000             | 0.6100             | 0.2422                      | 7.2247 | 3.2787 | 0.3971                 | 11.8438 | 0.1252     |
| 1984                                                                                                                                            | 0.0000             | 0.2400             | 0.0000                      | 3.6889 | 0.0000 | 0.0000                 | 15.3703 | 0.7866     |
| 1985                                                                                                                                            | 1.0000             | 0.3700             | 0.0253                      | 5.5716 | 2.7027 | 0.0684                 | 15.0585 | 0.3093     |
| 1986                                                                                                                                            | 0.0000             | 0.4000             | 0.0000                      | 3.6889 | 0.0000 | 0.0000                 | 9.2222  | 0.6703     |
| 1987                                                                                                                                            | 0.0000             | 0.1600             | 0.0000                      | 3.6889 | 0.0000 | 0.0000                 | 23.0555 | 0.8521     |
| 1988                                                                                                                                            | 0.0000             | 0.4300             | 0.0000                      | 3.6889 | 0.0000 | 0.0000                 | 8.5788  | 0.6505     |

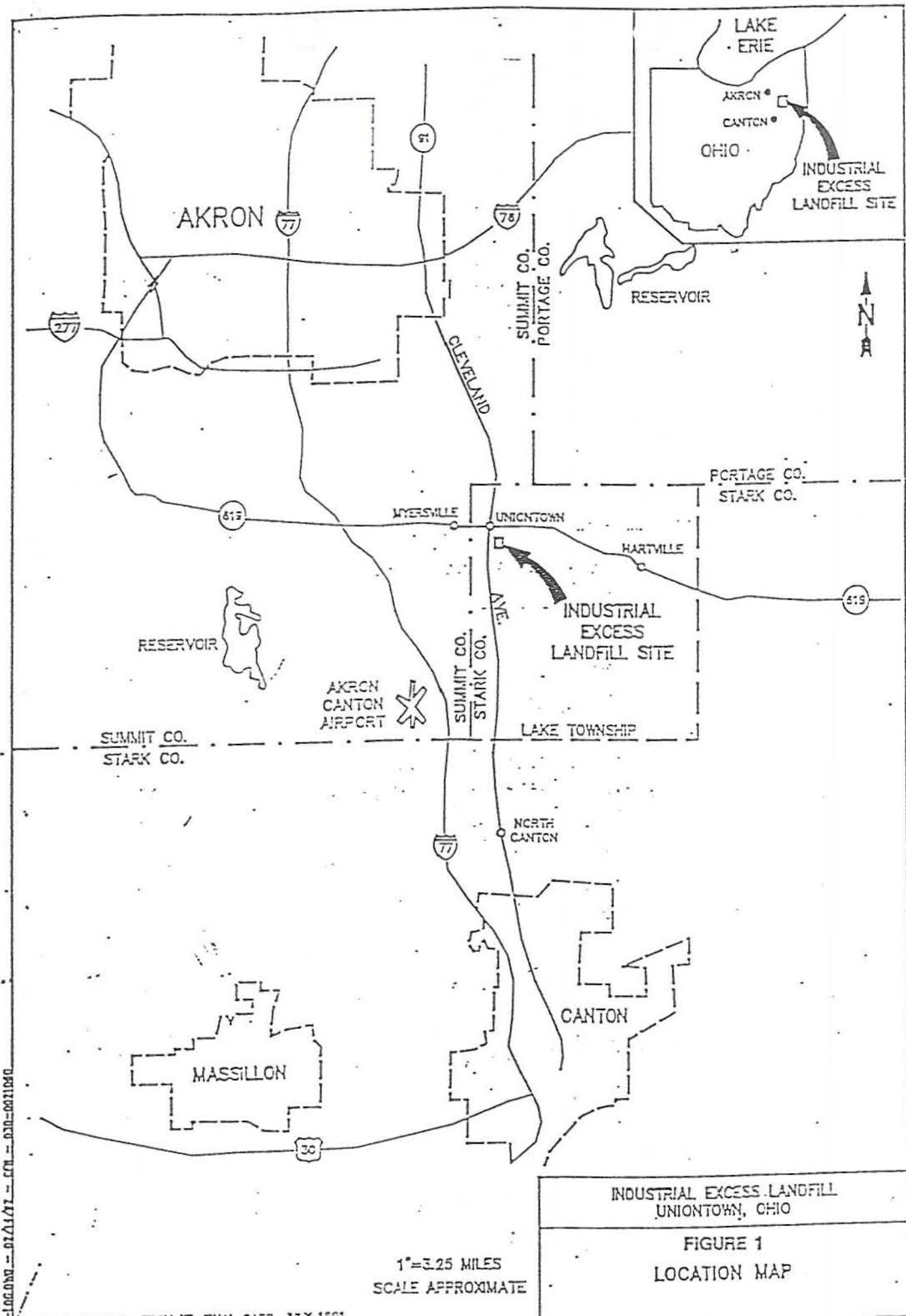
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Table 14

| 95.00% Confidence limits (based on Poisson) for Observed deaths and for the SMR due to death from all cancers in the 5 - 24 years old age group |                     |                    |                             |         |        |                        |        |            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|---------|--------|------------------------|--------|------------|
| Year                                                                                                                                            | Observed,<br>Deaths | Expected<br>Deaths | 95.00% C.I.* on<br>Observed |         | SMR    | 95.00% C.I.* on<br>SMR |        | P<br>Value |
|                                                                                                                                                 |                     |                    | Lower                       | Upper   |        | Lower                  | Upper  |            |
| 1979                                                                                                                                            | 9.0000              | 6.6600             | 4.1154                      | 17.0848 | 1.3514 | 0.6179                 | 2.5653 | 0.2278     |
| 1980                                                                                                                                            | 8.0000              | 8.3200             | 3.4538                      | 15.7632 | 0.9615 | 0.4151                 | 1.8946 | 0.5480     |
| 1981                                                                                                                                            | 7.0000              | 6.7500             | 2.8144                      | 14.4227 | 1.0370 | 0.4169                 | 2.1367 | 0.5124     |
| 1982                                                                                                                                            | 8.0000              | 12.2600            | 3.4538                      | 15.7632 | 0.6525 | 0.2817                 | 1.2857 | 0.1387     |
| 1983                                                                                                                                            | 6.0000              | 6.7200             | 2.2019                      | 13.0595 | 0.8929 | 0.3277                 | 1.9434 | 0.4922     |
| 1984                                                                                                                                            | 2.0000              | 5.3500             | 0.2422                      | 7.2247  | 0.37.8 | 0.0453                 | 1.3504 | 0.0981     |
| 1985                                                                                                                                            | 7.0000              | 5.1200             | 2.8144                      | 14.4227 | 1.3672 | 0.5497                 | 2.8169 | 0.2556     |
| 1986                                                                                                                                            | 7.0000              | 4.7200             | 2.8144                      | 14.4227 | 1.4831 | 0.5963                 | 3.0557 | 0.1981     |
| 1987                                                                                                                                            | 2.0000              | 4.8400             | 0.2422                      | 7.2247  | 0.4132 | 0.0500                 | 1.4927 | 0.1388     |
| 1988                                                                                                                                            | 5.0000              | 5.3400             | 1.6235                      | 11.6683 | 0.9363 | 0.3040                 | 2.1851 | 0.5565     |

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Re: IEL Uniontown, Ohio

Dear Dr. Lichtveld:

This is in reference to your letter of October 14, 1992 which requested health information on the IEL site in Uniontown, Ohio. I am a physician who is board certified in both Internal Medicine and Preventive Medicine (Occupational Medicine), and I am a Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.

I was recently asked to review a cancer death case in a young man who lived on the western edge of the IEL site in Uniontown (see Appendix, Patient #1). The diagnosis proved to be osteosarcoma of the right fibula, prompting concern about the possible role of environmental radiation exposure. During preliminary interviews with multiple area residents, there appears to be an unusually large number of neoplasms of the extremities, of the reticulo-endothelial system (RES), and of other sites (see Appendix for currently available information). The majority of these neoplasms appear to have occurred in young people.

I have reviewed materials suggesting radiation contamination of the IEL site and surrounding groundwater. There is also evidence of contamination with benzene, vinyl chloride, and chlorophenols, among many other chemical agents.

ATTACHMENT-1

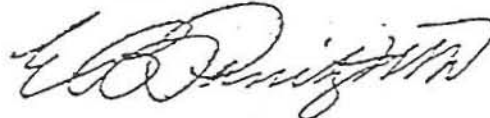
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November 21, 1992  
IEL Uniontown, Ohio (continued)

In my opinion, the case of Patient #1 (coupled with the anecdotal evidence of Appendix Patients #2 and #3, and the many other neoplasms suggested in the Appendix) presents disturbing evidence that radiation (and possibly other carcinogens such as benzene, vinyl chloride, and chlorophenols) may be causing neoplasms among residents surrounding the IEL site. The routes of exposure are likely to include ingestion (well water, fruits and vegetables), skin absorption (well water for bathing and washing clothes, as well as swimming or playing in marshy areas near IEL), and inhalation (radioactive dusts released from the landfill, radioactive gases released from contaminated ground and groundwater).

I urge you to consider an immediate review of cancer death certificates from 1970 to the present for the counties surrounding the IEL site. The neoplasms of greatest concern, based on my informal interviews, are those of a) bone and soft tissue, b) the reticulo-endothelial system, c) breast, d) thyroid, and e) CNS.

Thank you for your consideration, and please let me know if I can be of assistance in your investigations.

Yours truly,



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|                                                                                                                             |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                              |        |                                                                                                                                                         |                 |                                            |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. CHILD - NAME                                                                                                             |  | First                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Middle | Last                                                                                                                                                    | SEX             | DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year)           | TIME OF BIRTH |
| 2. FACILITY NAME (If not indicated, give street and number)                                                                 |  | CITY, VILLAGE, OR LOCATION OF BIRTH                                                                                                                                                                          |        |                                                                                                                                                         | COUNTY OF BIRTH |                                            |               |
| 3. PLACE OF BIRTH                                                                                                           |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Free-standing Birth Center <input type="checkbox"/> Clinic/Doctor's Office <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |        |                                                                                                                                                         |                 |                                            |               |
| 4. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE                                                                                                    |  | FILED BY REGISTRAR (Month, Day, Year)                                                                                                                                                                        |        |                                                                                                                                                         |                 |                                            |               |
| 5a. I certify that the above named child was born alive at the place and time and on the date stated above.                 |  | 5b. DATE SIGNED                                                                                                                                                                                              |        | 5c. ATTENDANT - <input type="checkbox"/> M.D. <input type="checkbox"/> D.O. <input type="checkbox"/> C.N.M.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |                 |                                            |               |
| SIGNATURE                                                                                                                   |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                              |        |                                                                                                                                                         |                 |                                            |               |
| 6a. ATTENDANT - NAME                                                                                                        |  | (Type or Print)                                                                                                                                                                                              |        | 6b. MAILING ADDRESS (Street or R.F.D. No., City or Village, State, Zip)                                                                                 |                 |                                            |               |
| 7a. MOTHER'S NAME                                                                                                           |  | (First, Middle, Last)                                                                                                                                                                                        |        | 7b. MOTHER'S SURNAME                                                                                                                                    |                 | 7c. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year)       | 7d. AGE       |
| 8a. BIRTHPLACE (State or Foreign Country)                                                                                   |  | 8b. RESIDENCE - STATE                                                                                                                                                                                        |        | 8c. COUNTY                                                                                                                                              |                 | 8d. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION                |               |
| 9a. STREET AND NUMBER                                                                                                       |  | 9b. INSIDE CITY LIMITS? (Yes or No)                                                                                                                                                                          |        | 9c. MOTHER'S MAILING ADDRESS (If same as residence, enter as such only)                                                                                 |                 |                                            |               |
| 10a. FATHER'S NAME (First, Middle, Last)                                                                                    |  | 10b. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year)                                                                                                                                                                        |        | 10c. AGE                                                                                                                                                |                 | 10d. BIRTHPLACE (State or Foreign Country) |               |
| 11. I certify that the personal information provided on this certificate is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                              |        |                                                                                                                                                         |                 |                                            |               |
| Name or Signature of Parent or Other Informant                                                                              |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                              |        |                                                                                                                                                         |                 |                                            |               |

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| 12. OF HISPANIC ORIGIN? (Specify No or Yes - If yes, specify Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, etc.) |  | 13. RACE - American Indian, Black, White, etc. (Specify below)                                                                                               |  | 14. EDUCATION (Specify only highest grade completed)<br>Elementary/Secondary (1-12) College (13-16) |  | 15. OCCUPATION AND BUSINESS/INDUSTRY (Report during last year)<br>Occupation Business/Industry |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| 16a. <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes                                    |  | 16b. <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes                                                                                                |  | 16c. <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes                                       |  | 16d. <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes                                  |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| 17. SPECIFY:                                                                                     |  | 17b. SPECIFY:                                                                                                                                                |  | 17c. SPECIFY:                                                                                       |  | 17d. SPECIFY:                                                                                  |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| 18. PREGNANCY HISTORY (Complete each section)                                                    |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | 19. DATE LAST NORMAL MENSTRUATION (Month, Day, Year)                                                |  |                                                                                                |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| 18a. LIVE BIRTHS (Do not include this child)                                                     |  | 18b. OTHER TERMINATIONS (Spontaneous and induced at any time after conception)                                                                               |  | 20. MONTH OF PREGNANCY PRENATAL CARE BEGAN - First, Second, Third, etc. (Specify)                   |  | 21. TOTAL PRENATAL VISITS (If none, so state)                                                  |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| 22a. NOW LIVING                                                                                  |  | 22b. NOW DEAD                                                                                                                                                |  | 23. BIRTH WEIGHT IN GRAMS                                                                           |  | 24. CITY                                                                                       |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| Number                                                                                           |  | Number                                                                                                                                                       |  |                                                                                                     |  | COUNTY                                                                                         |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> None                                                                    |  | <input type="checkbox"/> None                                                                                                                                |  |                                                                                                     |  | CLINICAL ESTIMATE OF GESTATION (Weeks)                                                         |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| 25. DATE OF LAST LIVE BIRTH (Month, Year)                                                        |  | 26. DATE OF LAST OTHER TERMINATION (Month, Year)                                                                                                             |  | 27. PLURALITY - Single, Twin, Triplet, etc. (Specify)                                               |  | 28. IF NOT SINGLE BIRTH - Born First, Second, Third, etc. (Specify)                            |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| 29. Apgar Score                                                                                  |  | 30. MOTHER TRANSFERRED PRIOR TO DELIVERY? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If yes, enter name of facility and city transferred from. |  |                                                                                                     |  |                                                                                                |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| 31a. 1 Minute                                                                                    |  | 31b. 5 Minutes                                                                                                                                               |  | 32a. FACILITY NAME                                                                                  |  | 32b. CITY                                                                                      |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
|                                                                                                  |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | 33a. FACILITY NAME                                                                                  |  | 33b. CITY                                                                                      |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| 34. MEDICAL RISK FACTORS FOR THIS PREGNANCY (Check all that apply)                               |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | 35. COMPLICATIONS OF LABOR AND/OR DELIVERY (Check all that apply)                                   |  |                                                                                                |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| 36. CONGENITAL ANOMALIES OF CHILD (Check all that apply)                                         |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  |                                                                                                     |  |                                                                                                |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| Anemia (Hct. <30/Mph. <10) C1 <input type="checkbox"/>                                           |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Fetus > 100 lbs. or 33" C1 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                 |  |                                                                                                |  | Anencephalus C1 <input type="checkbox"/>                                      |  |  |  |
| Cardiac disease C2 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                      |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Macrosomia, moderate/heavy C2 <input type="checkbox"/>                                              |  |                                                                                                |  | Esophageal/duodenal atresia C2 <input type="checkbox"/>                       |  |  |  |
| Acute or chronic lung disease C3 <input type="checkbox"/>                                        |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Premature rupture of membranes (>12 hours) C3 <input type="checkbox"/>                              |  |                                                                                                |  | Hydrocephalus C3 <input type="checkbox"/>                                     |  |  |  |
| Diabetes C4 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                             |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Abruptio placenta C4 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                       |  |                                                                                                |  | Microcephalus C4 <input type="checkbox"/>                                     |  |  |  |
| Genital herpes C5 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                       |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Placenta previa C5 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                         |  |                                                                                                |  | Other central nervous system anomalies (Specify) C5 <input type="checkbox"/>  |  |  |  |
| Hypertension/epilepsy/diabetes C6 <input type="checkbox"/>                                       |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Other excessive bleeding C6 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                |  |                                                                                                |  | Heart malformations C6 <input type="checkbox"/>                               |  |  |  |
| Hemoglobinopathy C7 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                     |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Seizures during labor C7 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                   |  |                                                                                                |  | Other circulatory/respiratory anomalies (Specify) C7 <input type="checkbox"/> |  |  |  |
| Hypertension, chronic C8 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Prolonged labor (>20 hours) C8 <input type="checkbox"/>                                             |  |                                                                                                |  | Racial skeletal anomalies C8 <input type="checkbox"/>                         |  |  |  |
| Hypertension, pregnancy-associated C9 <input type="checkbox"/>                                   |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Dysfunctional labor C9 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                     |  |                                                                                                |  | Tracheo-esophageal fistula/Esophageal atresia C9 <input type="checkbox"/>     |  |  |  |
| Eclampsia C10 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                           |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Breech/Malpresentation C10 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                 |  |                                                                                                |  | Craniofacial/Craniofacial C10 <input type="checkbox"/>                        |  |  |  |
| Incompetent cervix C11 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                  |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Cephalopelvic disproportion C11 <input type="checkbox"/>                                            |  |                                                                                                |  | Other gastrointestinal anomalies (Specify) C11 <input type="checkbox"/>       |  |  |  |
| Previous infant 4000+ grams C12 <input type="checkbox"/>                                         |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Cord prolapse C12 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                          |  |                                                                                                |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| Previous preterm or small-for-gestational-age infant C13 <input type="checkbox"/>                |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Amniotic complications C13 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                 |  |                                                                                                |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| Prolapsed placenta C14 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                  |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Fetal distress C14 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                         |  |                                                                                                |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| Rh sensitization C15 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                    |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | None C15 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                   |  |                                                                                                |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |
| Other C16 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                               |  |                                                                                                                                                              |  | Other C16 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                  |  |                                                                                                |  |                                                                               |  |  |  |

ATTACHMENT 3

OHIO CANCER INCIDENCE SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM  
THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
INFORMATION TO BE REPORTED FOR EACH CANCER CASE<sup>1</sup>

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- 1) Last Name
  - 2) First Name
  - 3) Middle Initial
  - 4) Patient's Social Security Number (if available)
  - 5) County of Residence at Diagnosis (if Ohio resident)
  - 6) Street Address (at diagnosis)
  - 7) City of Residence (at diagnosis)
  - 8) State of Residence (at diagnosis)
  - 9) Zip Code (at diagnosis)
  - 10) Birth Date
  - 11) Sex
  - 12) Race
  - 13) Date of Diagnosis
  - 14) Age in Years at Diagnosis
  - 15) Anatomical Site
  - 16) Sequence Code
  - 17) Histology
  - 18) Stage at Diagnosis
  - 19) Grade at Diagnosis
  - 20) Type of Staging Used
  - 21) Last Name of Treating or Diagnosing Physician (prefer treating)
  - 22) First Name of Treating or Diagnosing Physician (prefer treating)
  - 23) OCISS Source Reporting Code Number
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<sup>1</sup>"Cancer Case" means any primary malignant neoplasm with the exception of basal and squamous cell carcinoma of the skin and carcinoma in-situ of the cervix diagnosed on and after January 1, 1992.

Source: Cancer Epidemiology, Prevention and Control Program, Bureau of Chronic Diseases, The Ohio Department of Health, P.O. Box 118, 246 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43286-0118, (Telephone: (614) 456-2144), March, 1992.



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| OTHER _____ 17 <input type="checkbox"/><br>(Specify) _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  | 12. METHOD OF DELIVERY (Check all that apply)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  | Other congenital anomalies<br>(Specify) _____ 14 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                        |  |
| 13a. OTHER RISK FACTORS FOR THIS PREG. Y <input type="checkbox"/><br>(Consults of record)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  | Vaginal ..... 01 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Vaginal birth after previous C-section ..... 02 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Primary C-section ..... 03 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Repeat C-section ..... 04 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Forceps ..... 05 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Vacuum ..... 06 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  | Cleft lip/palate ..... 15 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Polydactyl/ Syndactyl/ Aclactyl ..... 16 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Club foot ..... 17 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Diaphragmatic hernia ..... 18 <input type="checkbox"/> |  |
| Tobacco use during pregnancy ..... Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/><br>Average number cigarettes per day .....<br>Alcohol use during pregnancy ..... Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/><br>Average number drinks per week .....<br>Weight gained during pregnancy ..... lbs.<br>Preg. pregnancy weight ..... lbs. |  | 13. ABNORMAL CONDITIONS OF THE NEWBORN<br>(Check all that apply)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  | Other musculoskeletal/skeletal anomalies<br>(Specify) _____ 19 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                          |  |
| 14. OBSTETRIC PROCEDURES<br>(Check all that apply)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  | Anemia Hct. < 18/Hg. < 131 ..... 01 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Birth injury ..... 02 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Fetal alcohol syndrome ..... 03 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Myelomeningocele/spina Bifida ..... 04 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Meconium aspiration syndrome ..... 05 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Assisted ventilation < 30 min ..... 06 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Assisted ventilation ≥ 30 min ..... 07 <input type="checkbox"/><br>None ..... 08 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Other ..... 09 <input type="checkbox"/> |  | Down's syndrome ..... 20 <input type="checkbox"/><br>Other chromosomal anomalies<br>(Specify) _____ 21 <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                  |  |
| 15. NAME OF PROPHYLACTIC USED IN EYES OF CHILD _____<br>(Specify) _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  | 16. DATE OF APPROVED TEST FOR SYPHILIS IF NONE _____<br>STATE REASON: _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  | 17. DATE OF APPROVED TEST FOR CONGENITAL IF NONE _____<br>STATE REASON: _____                                                                                                                                                    |  |

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