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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

RESPONSE TO FARRAH KHAN

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Farrah Who ?

Farrah Khan is Gideon Forman's 20-something NON-EXPERT SECRETARY at Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment (CAPE).

Khan has ABSOLUTELY NO background, training, or experience concerning pest control products, making her opinions FLAWED, DISTORTED, VALUELESS and WORTHLESS.

Khan is NO expert.

The problem with Khan reflects the overall larger problem with ALL Anti-Pesticide Activists.

There are NO Anti-Pesticide Activists who are scientists or researchers with credentials in the field of pest control products.

NONE !

And Khan has a HUGE VESTED INTEREST IN PERPETUATING IMAGINARY DANGERS about these products.

Doing this attracts HUGE SUMS OF PROFIT to her organization, in the form of MEMBERSHIP, DONATIONS, and GOVERNMENT GRANTS.

Her employer, CAPE, is a FUND-RAISING organization, and NOT a science or research organization.

The primary reason for the existence of Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment has NOTHING TO DO WITH HEALTH but has everything to do with BUSINESS, CASH-FLOW, PROFIT, MEMBERSHIP, DONATIONS, and GOVERNMENT GRANTS.

Most CAPE members ARE NOT EVEN PHYSICIANS.

In fact, CAPE represents an INFINITESIMALLY SMALL number of doctors.

CAPE merely represents LESS THAN 4 PER CENT of all doctors in Canada.

Water Quality

Khan ALLEGES that the PROHIBITION of pest control products in Ontario has somehow led to lower concentrations of herbicide in stream water.

This is WRONG !

The PROHIBITION of pest control products in the Province of Ontario DID NOT improve water quality in streams and rivers.

ALMOST UNDETECTABLE LEVELS of pest control products were found in Ontario streams EVEN BEFORE PROHIBITION.

This allegation is FALSE, MISLEADING, and CONTRADICTS OVER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF RESEARCH.

Twenty-Five Years of Research

It is common knowledge within the LEGITIMATE SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY that pest control products and fertilizers used for the maintenance of turfgrass areas ARE NOT CONSIDERED AS SERIOUS CONTAMINANTS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT.

Researchers have shown that A HEALTHY, DENSE, AND PROPERLY-MAINTAINED TURFGRASS COVER will help RETAIN pest control products and fertilizers, acting like a GIANT SPONGE.

The leaves, the thatch, and the roots, as well as the soil medium, all interact to intercept most pest control product and fertilizer inputs.

The overall fate of pest control products and fertilizers used in the turfgrass environment has been estimated in DOZENS OF RESEARCH REPORTS examining RUN-OFF and LEACHING.

Here are some examples of the scientific conclusions from these reports —

- A healthy, dense, and properly-maintained turf cover significantly REDUCES the potential for run-off losses of pest control products and fertilizers
- Losses to surface run-off of pest control products and fertilizers applied to turfgrass DOES NOT APPEAR TO POSE A SIGNIFICANT HAZARD
- Natural precipitation events DOES NOT produce detectable run-off
- Pest control products DO NOT move in water, either off-site with run-off or down through the soil profile
- Even under highly-exaggerated storm conditions, NO MORE THAN 5 PER CENT of the water ever runs-off from the turfgrass environment
- When turf is mature, healthy, dense, and properly-maintained, surface movement of water, nutrients, or pest control products is VERY LIMITED, regardless of concentration
- In the worst case events, transport is limited to LESS THAN 2 PER CENT of pest control products and less than 5 per cent of fertilizers
- Dietary risks with pest control products like 2,4-D from water and food are NOT OF CONCERN — NO ADVERSE HEALTH EFFECTS ARE EXPECTED from these products

Children Are NOT At Risk

Anti-Pesticide Activists like Khan SCAM and DECEIVE the public by blurting out HOLLOW and DESPICABLY-ALARMIST expressions like « *children* » and « *serious illness* » and « *cancer* » and « *birth defects* » !

ALLEGATIONS about the IMAGINARY DANGER TO CHILDREN are TOTALLY FALSE, and are UNTRUE MIS-REPRESENTATIONS designed to ALARM AND ENRAGE the public for MONEY AND PROFIT.

Khan compares the use of pest control products with Russian Roulette, and suggests we should protect the lives of those we love.

Khan is WRONG ! — Pest control products DO NOT HARM CHILDREN !

The assessment of pest control products takes into consideration sensitive groups like CHILDREN, as well as PREGNANT WOMEN and INFANTS.

CHILDREN's physiology, behaviours and habits WHILE PLAYING ON TREATED GRASS are considered when determining the safety of pest control products.

EXTRA SAFETY FACTORS are applied to protect INFANTS and CHILDREN.

Pest control products cause NO HARM, including chronic effects such as CANCER.

Any PROHIBITION of pest control products is NOT JUSTIFIED because STRICT REGULATIONS BASED ON SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ALREADY PROTECT OUR HEALTH and OUR ENVIRONMENT.

For more information about pest control products, please go to THE LIBRARY OF REPORTS ...

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