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Dear Dr. Spear,

I am writing because you were a member of the External Review Team that conducted a 2010 Program Review of the Department of Environmental Health Sciences (EHS) for the UCLA Academic Senate. For your information, I have held a research faculty position at the UCLA School of Public Health (SPH) since July 1, 1976 and since July 1, 2004 that position has been in EHS. However, I was excluded from every aspect of the EHS Program Review process during 2009-2010. My fine particulate epidemiologic research and I were not mentioned once in the 650-page January 29, 2010 "UCLA Department of Environmental Health Sciences Self-Review Report" (<http://www.senate.ucla.edu/programreview/documents/SelfReviewEHScomplete.pdf>). Also, I was not allowed to participate in any aspect of the April 15-16, 2010 EHS Program Review Site Visit at UCLA.

Since February 10, 2010 EHS Chair Richard J. Jackson and SPH Dean Linda Rosenstock have repeatedly attempted to terminate my academic career at UCLA. For a detailed description of my case, please read the June 2, 2011 article by the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE) (<http://thefire.org/article/13268.html>). For a summary of the underlying scientific and academic issues in my case, please view the nine-minute ReasonTV video cited in the article (<http://reason.com/blog/2011/04/04/the-green-politics-of-reprisal>).

Additional aspects of my case are also described by University of Massachusetts Professor Edward J. Calabrese, who sent an August 8, 2011 email letter to Dr. Jackson (<http://www.scientificintegrityinstitute.org/Calabrese080811.pdf>) and an August 23, 2011 email letter to UCLA Chancellor Gene D. Block (<http://www.scientificintegrityinstitute.org/Calabrese082311.pdf>).

I believe that the termination attempts against me were initiated after Norman R. Brown of Delta Construction Company sent a June 30, 2009 letter to Dean Rosenstock (http://www.cdtoa.org/CARBdocs/Delta_UCLA_Letter_063009.pdf) and an October 1, 2009 letter to Dr. Jackson (<http://www.cdtoa.org/CARBdocs/letters/DeltaLettertoUCLAJacksonReNichols&Froines100109.pdf>) regarding substantial evidence of unethical conduct by EHS Professor John R. Froines.

Finally, you should know that I have successfully challenged the unethical and unjustified efforts of EHS to terminate me. My position has recently been extended by the UCLA Chancellor's Office for another academic year, as explained in the September 6, 2011 FIRE post (<http://thefire.org/article/13530.html>) and the September 7, 2011 LandLineMag.com article (http://www.landlinemag.com/todays_news/Daily/2011/Sep11/090511/090711-06.shtml).

I request the opportunity to discuss with you as soon as possible my non-reappointment case and your May 3, 2010 EHS Program Review letter to UCLA. Specifically, I would like to discuss my serious concerns about academic freedom, scientific integrity, ethical conduct, and tolerance for minority viewpoints at UCLA and UC. I hope you will give thoughtful consideration to all of the items cited above. If I do not receive a response from you, then I will assume that you are not concerned about any of these items.

Thank you very much for your consideration regarding this important matter.

Sincerely yours,

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