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Dr. Timothy M. Persons
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Washington, DC 20226

Dear Dr. Persons:

Thank you for agreeing to testify on Friday, September 23, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. in 2322 Rayburn House Office Building, at the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations hearing entitled "Bioresearch Labs and Inactivation of Dangerous Pathogens."

The attached documents provide important details concerning the preparation and presentation of your testimony.

- The first attachment describes the form your testimony must take.
- The second attachment provides you with Electronic Format Guidelines that detail how to file testimony electronically.
- The third attachment provides you the Rules for the Committee on Energy and Commerce.
- The fourth attachment provides you with a Truth-in-Testimony Disclosure form and a Truth-in-Testimony instruction sheet.

Please be aware that, in accordance with the Committee's usual practice:

(1) Witnesses will be required to provide sworn testimony;

(2) Witnesses have a right to be represented by counsel, who may advise the witnesses on their Constitutional rights, but cannot testify. If appearing as a witness, the counsel will be sworn in; and,

(3) Hearings are open to audio, video, and photographic coverage by accredited press representatives only.

If you have any questions concerning any aspect of your testimony, please contact Alan Slobodin of the Energy and Commerce Committee staff at (202) 225-2927.

Sincerely,

Tim Murphy

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Chairman
Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations

Enclosures: (1) Form of Testimony
(2) Electronic Format Guidelines
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(4) Truth-in-Testimony Disclosure form