MEMORANDUM

June 10, 2022

To: Members of the Subcommittee on Economic and Consumer Policy

Fr: Subcommittee Staff

Re: Hearing on “Seresto Flea and Tick Collars: Examining Why a Product Linked to More than 2,500 Pet Deaths Remains on the Market”

On Wednesday, June 15, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. ET, the Subcommittee on Economic and Consumer Policy will hold a hybrid hearing in room 2154 of the Rayburn House Office Building and on the Zoom video platform to examine the safety of the Seresto flea and tick collar, a product manufactured by Elanco Animal Health, Inc.

I. PURPOSE OF THE HEARING

The hearing will examine the safety of the Seresto flea and tick collar in view of reported adverse incidents, the Environmental Protection Agency’s regulation of the Seresto collar and response to those reported incidents, and the refusal of Seresto’s manufacturer, Elanco Animal Health, to take action to protect pets and their owners from the collar’s harms.

II. WITNESSES

Panel 1

Faye Hemsley & Omarion Hemsley
Owners of Deceased Pet

Thomas Maiorino
Owner of Deceased Pet

Panel 2

Jeffrey Simmons
President and Chief Executive Officer
Elanco Animal Health, Inc.
Robert Miller
Former 6(a)(2) Incident Coordinator, Office of Pesticide Programs
Environmental Protection Agency

Nathan Donley, PhD
Environmental Health Science Director
Center for Biological Diversity

Additional witnesses to be announced.

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