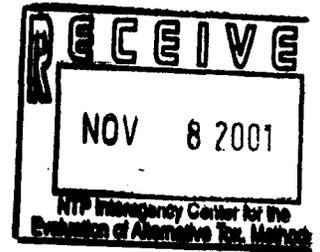


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**Re: Report of the International Workshop on In Vitro Methods
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Dear Dr. Stokes:

I am writing to ask you to begin efforts to completely replace lethal dose testing with non-animal, in vitro testing methods.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Brenda Johnson