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Dear Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs Hunt:

- •The "OMB Draft Guidelines for the Conduct of Regulatory Analysis and the Format of Accounting Statements" determines that saving the life of an elderly person is worth less than saving the life of a younger person..
- •As an American citizen who is the grandchild/child/relative of a senior citizen, I find that devaluing an elderly person's life is unethical and unmoral.
- •This is a mere pretext to cut the value of health and safety standards in order to protect the industries that stand to gain from this White House initiative.
- $\bullet \mbox{The OMB's conclusion}$  that the lives of senior citizens are less valuable raises serious ethical and scientific questions.

Sincerely,

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