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Dear Mr. McConnon:

Thank you for your letter regarding the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists' (CSTE) position statement 07-EH-03 entitled "Updates to 1998 Case Definition for Acute Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Surveillance."

We are pleased that the case definition was adopted at CSTE's Annual Conference on June 28, 2007. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention concurs with the CSTE authors of the proposed changes to the CSTE case definition for Carbon Monoxide (CO) Poisoning Surveillance. An updated case definition will aid in the surveillance of unique data sources such as Poison Control Center data, thus helping to elucidate potential risk factors for CO poisoning.

We hope this information is helpful and look forward to continued collaboration with CSTE.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julie Louise Gerberding".

Julie Louise Gerberding, M.D., M.P.H.

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