**Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil, May 4th, 2012.**

**Dear Mr. Peter Voser**

**Shell CEO**

**This is a brief report over those problems of contaminations we, former Shell Chemical employees in Paulina suffered and look for Shell attention and a final solution to our cause.**

**The case of Shell Brasil Ltd and Basf Brasil SA contamination.**

**Adress: Roberto Simonsem Avenue, #1500 – Neighborhood: Recanto dos Passaros(Corner of Birds), also known previously as Poço Fundo(Deep Well) in Paulinia city – Sao Paulo - Brazil.**

**The environmental and human contamination that silently happened since Shell started its pesticide production in 1977 until 2002 when the factory was closed and had its production stopped by Basf.**

**A.T.E.S.Q. – Association of Workers Exposed to Chemical Substances.**

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**Founded by former Shell and Basf workers in 2001.**

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**Workers were put under harmful exposition to chemical agents, systemic toxic products (most of them had been banished around the World before its production by Shell in Brazil), during the labor period, and they were not aware of such risks in the site, unless by the disturbing bad smell of the vapor that would come out of the substances which bothered the workers and neighbors who lived in small farms around the site; and at the unit of solids formulation, where airborne powder of Aldrin and other organochlorine pesticides emanated from the building and was present in the air, over the machinery, equipment and everywhere. ORGANOCHLORINE ALDRIN is a CARCINOGENIC PRODUCT and the emitting of that substance to the environment according some Shell records was in a level of 0,5 Kg/hour in breathable airborne particles. Meanwhile, at the liquids formulation sector, occurred workers sub-acute poisoning daily, caused by Monochrotophos (organophosphorus) production.**

**Preventive measures and health surveillance of workers were not enough to assure the right to health.**

**It was always denied to workers the right to know exactly what was going on in the site and they didn’t know the results of some exams, as well as its investigation.**

**So far, more than 60 former workers died under the average of 55 years old with high complexity traces of contamination. In Brazil, and particularly in our region, life expectancy is about 73, but that dream for us, Shell former workers is not possible.**

**Today, we are deeply aware and know with absolute clarity how was our labored life at Shell/Basf site in Paulinia and we, former workers, are only fighting for our rights and health demands that Shell/Basf owe to us.**

**Also we believe that Shell headquarters and its shareholders may not be receiving concrete information over the human and environmental contamination that occurred at CISP – Shell Industrial Center in Paulinia, since 1994, when Shell Brazil denounced itself publicly about that contamination in its factory here in Paulinia.**

**In 2002, there were all possibilities to come up with a good agreement between Shell and its former employees, but sadly it became not possible because of the intransigence of negotiators and evaluators that Shell hired.**

**Because of that intransigence presented by the negotiators, we strongly believe that these people here in Brazil are supposed to be interested in monetary gains they might receive from Shell or fear for their fame, and they don’t care the least for the lives and health of those who worked for Shell in the site. We have to point out that they do whatever they can to postpone the end of the lawsuit, possibly in order to diminish our cause and make their fame and gains more attractive.**

**So, because we didn’t believe we (Shell former workers) would get a fair agreement that would help us have a dignified life, that we could take care of our damaged life and the life of our family with a Medicare, BECAUSE THE GREATEST GOOD WE HAVE IS OUR HEALTH, in 2007 we filed a lawsuit against Shell/Basf, forcing them to pay for the damage they caused to the health those who worked in the site in Paulinia. Again we see people eager to negotiate according to their will and their own benefit, interested to postpone our cause in top courts, rather than solving the problem once for all, in a way we could have our health medical benefit assured to us and our families. Again, we don’t believe these people, Shell CEO’s, are interested to put a fare end in this process but to gain profits from that. We strongly believe they will go on, postponing our cause to assure their own financial benefits, damaging the image of The Royal Dutch Shell Group worldwide, as well as the health of those former workers who have been victims of “CRONIC’ exposition with later effects.**

**So, we ask you in the headquarters and the shareholders to intervene immediately looking for a solution of that cause, since 18 years have been passed and it is scratching the image of the group and damaging even more the former workers due to the intransigence of those managing the case.**

**We look forward to hearing from you soon and we strongly believe you can help us on our cause.**

**Yours sincerely**

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