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## Via email

Dear Mr. Anan and Secretariat,

The Chicago Declaration to End Mercury Use in the Dental Industry respectfully submits the attached "North American dental professionals' experience demonstrates availability, feasibility, and benefits of mercury-free fillings." To your request regarding the COP3 request for information on the use of dental amalgam.

The Chicago Declaration is a resolution from 2018, signed by over 50 major environmental groups in North America and calls for the full phase out of mercury amalgam as a dental restorative material from all use in patients receiving dental treatment unless such use is approved under extremely limited circumstances by both dental and medical professionals in consultation on the patient's situation.

Thank-you for your consideration of this information in your work.

Sincerely,

Eric Uram

Organizing Director

Chicago Declaration for Ending Mercury Use in the Dental Industry