

September 29, 2018



The Honorable W. Daniel Lipinski  
2346 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-1303

Dear Representative Lipinski:

Thank you for reaching out to Elé Corporation following our conversation with Joel Creswell in your Washington, D.C. office. We agree that the health and welfare of our community and your constituents is of utmost importance.

Elé has always operated well within compliance of federal, state, and local regulations. Since January, we have been proactively working with the USEPA and IEPA to ensure that our company continues to provide a safe and healthy environment for our employees and the community.

As you note, we have conducted voluntary tests of ethylene oxide emissions, using one of two protocol methods approved by the USEPA. Elé's results have been shared with USEPA and IEPA, who acknowledged the validity of the data. Our results clearly confirm that Elé's emissions of EtO are well below its applicable permit emissions limits and reported estimated emissions, and are protective to the community.

Also, as your letter suggests, Elé already met with the USEPA and IEPA earlier this month and proactively offered to conduct additional tests using whatever protocol methodology the USEPA or IEPA proposes in order to further confirm and validate previous testing results, and provide comfort to our surrounding community. We have already taken steps to schedule this testing and Elé is working to be as proactive and timely as possible regarding this matter.

We will continue to communicate with your office and local officials, as we have in the past, and we look forward to your continued support in this process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Scott Brunson' in a cursive script.

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