

Wednesday, March 01, 2017

The Honorable Scott Pruitt  
Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator Pruitt,

**We are writing to express strong support for funding both the Radon Program and the State**

**Support for radon testing and mitigation is a perfect fit for EPA action and the Trump Administration.**

The Radon Program and SIRG are prime examples of “cooperative federalism.” **EPA supports the states and tribes closely** to deliver radon services. **States and tribes need and welcome EPA radon support.**

EPA’s Radon Program and SIRG **help states protect public health in highly meaningful ways**, promoting radon testing and mitigation. **Radon is the Number 1 indoor environmental killer in America. According to the National Research Council, 21,000 Americans die every year due to radon-induced lung cancer.** The EPA Radon Program and SIRG are currently the only infrastructure that exists in the United States to prevent radon-induced lung cancer.

**Radon testing and mitigation provide American jobs** among radon scientists and technologists, home inspectors, mitigators and more. If these vital EPA programs are cut, state, tribal and territorial programs will close and most consumer outreach on the state and local level will cease. EPA's technical infrastructure for a radon's radioactive reference will cease as well.