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To Whom It May Concern,

We are tobacco regulatory scientists at Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center located in Buffalo, NY. Our work focuses on understanding health effects of nicotine and cannabis vaping products. Our studies are federally funded by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) and National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) with aim to inform the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regarding the potential harm of these products.

We are writing to you today in hopes that you will be able to assist us collecting e-cigarettes and other vaping products for our ongoing pilot project. We aim to determine what e-cigarettes are most popular among Western New York youth as well as characterize the ingredients found in these products. To date there is limited data regarding chemical composition of e-cigarettes that youth are currently using. We hope that with your participation that we may be able to better understand what makes novel e-cigarettes appealing to youth. Please note that we are asking only for the products and we do not need any information regarding the students or the location that these devices are collected from. Any data that we collect may be reported to NIH and FDA to prevent youth tobacco or cannabis access. If your data is reported, we will only list your participation as “a school in WNY”. In addition, any data that we collect regarding your school will be available to you as a free report with basic information regarding the most popular products as well as concentration of active ingredients found in these devices (e.g. 50mg Nicotine, 300mg CBD). This will also include information regarding how these concentrations relate to traditional cigarettes usage and addiction. By participating in our project, you do not need to dispose or recycle these products as we will take full responsibility for doing this after the project is completed.

We hope that we be able to generate data that helps our local, state and federal partners better understand youth tobacco and cannabis landscape with your assistance. Thank you for the consideration of our request.

Please do not hesitate to contact us for further information.

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