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Dear ~~Ms.~~ ^{Donna} Knutson:

Thank you for sharing the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists position statement with the Trust for America's Health. We find the position statement valuable as another testament to the need for a coordinated, Nationwide Health Tracking Network. CSTE's specific steps are very helpful for ensuring states partnership with CDC and ATSDR in developing a practical, standardized system.

I would like your permission to post the position statement entitled "Strengthening the Nation's Public Health Defenses by Addressing Problems and Gaps in the Environmental Public Health System" on our website, healthyamericans.org. Please feel free to call me at (410) 837-7350 if you have any hesitations or concerns about making it available.

I look forward to additional collaboration with CSTE in the future.

With warm regards,

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