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I understand that school superintendents, administrators, teachers, students and parents are concerned about potentially harmful effects of the International Paper tire burn, which is scheduled to begin Nov. 6.

At this time I have no reason to believe that Vermonters, including schoolchildren, will need to take any special precautions.

The Health Department and the Department of Environmental Conservation will be monitoring the burn and air quality very closely. If we have any indication of a problem, the Health Department will quickly alert schools and provide guidance through the Department of Education.

We advise parents or anyone else with special health concerns to consult with their own health care provider. Enclosed is the Health Advisory from the Vermont Department of Health issued on Nov. 1 to health care providers in Rutland, Addison and Chittenden counties.

We will keep current information about the burn, if it goes forward, on our website: healthvermont.gov, with a link to the Department of Environmental Conservation.

If you have further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,



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