From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Katherine Jackson

[katherine.jackson@comcast.net]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:10 AM

To:

John Long

Subject:

Please Support the Ban on Polystyrene

Feb 25, 2013

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Sincerely,

Ms. Katherine Jackson 80 Winslow Ave Somerville, MA 02144-2554

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Julia Petipas [jpetipas@gmail.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, February 26, 2013 8:24 AM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Julia Petipas 44 Foskett St Somerville, MA 02144-2108

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Nancy Wood [woodsprite52@gmail.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, February 26, 2013 6:51 AM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Nancy Wood 18 Atherton St Somerville, MA 02143-2604 (617) 776-8491

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Caroline Darst [kittydarst@comcast.net]

Sent:

Tuesday, February 26, 2013 12:51 AM

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Caroline Darst 15 Seven Pines Ave # 1 Somerville, MA 02144-2423 (617) 945-1996

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Eric Milton [ericobb@hotmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:21 PM

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Mr. Eric Milton 24 Clarendon Ave Somerville, MA 02144-1705

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Franki Vetrano-Olsen

[f_vetranoolsen@salemstate.edu]

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Ms. Franki Vetrano-Olsen 48 Penny Ln Stoneham, MA 02180-4531

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Kyrre Culver [kyrre.culver@gmail.com]

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Ms. Kyrre Culver 58 Liberty Ave # 1 Somerville, MA 02144-2022

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Kathryn Dunkel [kdunkel@gmail.com]

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Mrs. Kathryn Dunkel 24 Simpson Ave # 3 Somerville, MA 02144-1806

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Alison Takemura [alimura@gmail.com]

Sent:

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Sincerely,

Ms. Alison Takemura 306 Summer St Somerville, MA 02144-3147 (626) 487-8543

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Bob Bowes [b.bowes@verizon.net]

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[kara.lochridge@gmail.com]

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Ms. Kara Lochridge 52 Woods Ave Somerville, MA 02144-1119

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Robert Lindsley

[rlindslev@brooklyngames.com]

Sent:

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Dr. Robert Lindsley 37 Ossipee Rd # 1 Somerville, MA 02144-1609 (917) 720-0963

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Jay Carr [jayjayjay32g@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 5:19 PM

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Mr. Jay Carr 32 Gorham St Somerville, MA 02144-2728 (617) 628-1613

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Luke Shaheen

[lukeshaheen@gmail.com]

Sent:

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Mr. Luke Shaheen 21 Spring Hill Ter Apt 3 Somerville, MA 02143-1514 (845) 532-0825

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Jessica Smith-Rohrberg

[iessicarohrth@gmail.com]

Sent:

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Sincerely,

Ms. Jessica Smith-Rohrberg 35 Burnside Ave Somerville, MA 02144-3101

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Cecilia Deuhs [cdeuhs@gmail.com]

Sent:

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Ms. Cecilia Deuhs 36 Claremon St Somerville, MA 02144-2406

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Nancy Bliss [nanbliss@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 3:53 PM

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Apart from being an aesthetic abomination.... Polystyrene breaks down and leeches toxins into the food it contains. All you need to do is to microwave a meal served in a Polystyrene container and taste it to know this is true. If you don't wish to do this experiment, there are ample studies that confirm toxicity to not only the people who consume food served in it, but also to those people who manufacture it.

Polystyrene is also non-recyclable. However, confused/misinformed people put Polystyrene containers into the mixed recycling bins. Surely this causes issues and increased costs to the city when it comes to separating out all the recyclables down the line.

There are many healthy alternatives for this repulsive substance!

I enthusiastically encourage you to support the ban on polystyrene.

Many thanks,

Sincerely,

Ms. Nancy Bliss 37 Ossipee Rd Somerville, MA 02144-1609

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Jennifer Schreiber

[jennifer.e.m.schreiber@gmail.com]

Sent:

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Jennifer Schreiber 104 Perkins St # 11 Somerville, MA 02145-3347

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of rosie sestito [rosiesesti@aol.com]

Sent:

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Miss rosie sestito 16R prescott st somerville, MA 02143

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Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Carlyn Friedberg [carlynfri@gmail.com]

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Ms. Carlyn Friedberg 78 Pearson Ave Somerville, MA 02144-2203

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Sincerely,

Ms. C Almeida 147 Summer St Somerville, MA 02143-2727

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Marian Scena

[marianscena@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 12:55 PM

To:

John Long

Subject:

Please Support the Ban on Polystyrene

Feb 25, 2013

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Sincerely,

Dr. Marian Scena 179 Highland Ave Somerville, MA 02143-1515 (617) 666-3223

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Mccalla Orso [mccalla.o.1@gmail.com]

Sent:

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Sincerely,

Ms. Mccalla Orso 226 Pearl St # 1f Somerville, MA 02145-3926

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Louise Flannery

[louise.flannery@gmail.com]

Sent:

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Sincerely,

Ms. Louise Flannery 18 Mansfield St # 2 Somerville, MA 02143-3102

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of William Cromwick

[wcc44.bc@gmail.com]

Sent:

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Sincerely,

Mr. William Cromwick 29 Hancock St Apt 2 Somerville, MA 02144-3123 (857) 523-9931

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Steve Nickse [stevenickse@gmail.com]

Sent:

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Sincerely,

Mr. Steve Nickse 53 Adams St Somerville, MA 02145-2601

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Marcia Landa [marcia-landa@rcn.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 12:26 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Marcia Landa 43 Ossipee Rd Somerville, MA 02144-1609 (617) 625-0088

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Judy Norris [judynstation@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 12:25 PM

To:

John Long

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Sincerely,

Ms. Judy Norris 55 Irving St Somerville, MA 02144-1803 (617) 628-8007

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Resa Blatman

[resa@blatmandesign.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 12:24 PM

To:

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Sincerely,

Ms. Resa Blatman 42 Bartlett St Somerville, MA 02145-3604 (617) 331-3119

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Amanda Sindel-Keswick

[thesindelk@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 11:55 AM

To:

John Long

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Sincerely,

Ms. Amanda Sindel-Keswick 320 Somerville Ave Somerville, MA 02143-2944

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Julie Perron [joujoup333@aol.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 11:53 AM

To:

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Sincerely,

Ms. Julie Perron 47 Boston St # 2 Somerville, MA 02143-2021 (617) 666-1702

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Ana Iara Soares

[anaiarasoares@live.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 11:11 AM

To:

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Ana Iara Soares 23 Ashland St Somerville, MA 02144-3201 (781) 454-6130

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Lenni Armstrong

[informmotion@comcast.net]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 11:10 AM

To:

John Long

Subject:

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Sincerely,

Ms. Lenni Armstrong 44 Greenville St Apt 3 Somerville, MA 02143-2016

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Elizabeth Sylvan [lisard@gmail.com]

Sent:

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Sincerely,

Dr. Elizabeth Sylvan 42 Curtis Ave Somerville, MA 02144-1225 (617) 492-2637

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Aimee Mills [aimeelmills@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 11:09 AM

To:

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Ms. Aimee Mills 282 Summer St Somerville, MA 02144-3235

From:

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Sent:

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Sincerely,

Mr. John Ziarko 97 Oxford St # 11 Somerville, MA 02143-1617 (617) 718-0080

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Heather Stockwell

[roguetamlin@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:42 AM

To:

John Long

Subject:

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Somerville is known for its healthy lifestyle and its fantastic restaurants. Let's also be known for our green policy on the huge delivery/take out economy here.

I respectfully urge you to support the ban on polystyrene. Thank you for your consideration on this issue.

Sincerely,

Ms. Heather Stockwell 29 Main St Somerville, MA 02145-1448

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Anna Shenk [ashenk_99@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:41 AM

To:

John Long

Subject:

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Sincerely,

Ms. Anna Shenk 77 Walnut St Somerville, MA 02143-1935

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Steven Nutter [snutter@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:41 AM

To:

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Mr. Steven Nutter 24 Maple Ave # 2 Somerville, MA 02145-3805

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of James Frierson

[rundrummer@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:40 AM

To:

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Sincerely,

Mr. James Frierson 113 Glen St # 1 Somerville, MA 02145-4125 (541) 261-8703

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Mathew Todaro

[mathew.todaro@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:40 AM

To:

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Sincerely,

Mr. Mathew Todaro 50 Bartlett St Somerville, MA 02145-3604 (202) 445-9009

From: Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Emma Schneider [emmaschneider17

@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, February 25, 2013 10:40 AM

To: John Long

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Ms. Emma Schneider 33 Electric Ave Somerville, MA 02144-1603

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Tom Treat [samaguee@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:39 AM

To:

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Sincerely,

Mr. Tom Treat 425 Medford St # 2 Somerville, MA 02145-2709

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Nancy Boulicault [nancybou13

@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:39 AM

То:

John Long

Subject:

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Feb 25, 2013

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Sincerely,

Ms. Nancy Boulicault 100 Rogers Ave Somerville, MA 02144-2209

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Bulent Guneralp

[bulentguneralp@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:12 AM

To:

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Sincerely,

Mr. Bulent Guneralp 3 Woodbine St Somerville, MA 02143-1116

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Jason Stricker [stricker.j.m@gmail.com]

Sent:

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Sincerely,

Mr. Jason Stricker 16 Pitman St Somerville, MA 02143-2518

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Maureen Barillaro

[lucyneptune@hotmail.com]

Sent:

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Sincerely,

Ms. Maureen Barillaro Somerville Somerville, MA 02143

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Mark Stern

[markdsternpc@comcast.net]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:11 AM

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Sincerely,

Mr. Mark Stern 34 Liberty Ave Somerville, MA 02144-2022 (617) 776-9250

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Margaret Spurrell

[margaret.spurrell@digitas.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:10 AM

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Margaret Spurrell 16 Prescott St # R Somerville, MA 02143-1714 (617) 776-7002

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Ceallaigh Reddy

[creddyma@yahoo.com]

Sent:

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Sincerely,

Ms. Ceallaigh Reddy 84 Avon St Somerville, MA 02143-1602 (617) 666-0881

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Oana Bandar [oanablu@hotmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:10 AM

To:

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Sincerely,

Ms. Oana Bandar 27 Francesca Ave Somerville, MA 02144-2001

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Jessica Garrett

[jessicaegarrett@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:10 AM

To:

John Long

Subject:

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Sincerely,

Ms. Jessica Garrett 63 Hall Ave # 2 Somerville, MA 02144-2003

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Kelly Kearns [kkearns@bpbtc.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 10:10 AM

To:

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Sincerely,

Ms. Kelly Kearns 46 Hooker Ave Somerville, MA 02144-1754 (617) 718-7880

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Melissa Lowitz

[melissalowitz@yahoo.com]

Sent:

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Ms. Melissa Lowitz 23 Malvern Ave Somerville, MA 02144-2416

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of David Franzel [dfranzel@comcast.net]

Sent:

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Sincerely,

Mr. David Franzel 58 Liberty Ave Somerville, MA 02144-2022 (617) 513-1468

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Donald Williams

[frisbeerick@gmail.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, February 26, 2013 11:35 AM

To:

John Long

Subject:

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Sincerely,

Mr. Donald Williams 81 College Ave Somerville, MA 02144-1957

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of Andrea Taco [andrea.j.taco@gmail.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, February 26, 2013 11:33 AM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Andrea Taco 62 Highland Ave Apt C6 Somerville, MA 02143-1847

From:

Sierra Club [office@sierraclubmass.org] on behalf of linda chu-mei [lchumei@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 1:09 AM

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Mrs. linda chu-mei 21 Ward St South Boston, MA 02127-3528 (617) 901-3999