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I have been employed by IBM for [redacted] of those years were spent working at the IBM Endicott Plant. I have held positions from a [redacted] worker to [redacted] to [redacted]. Since the contamination findings at IBM, I have elected to [redacted] full time since the quality of air and water concerns me.

At age [redacted] I had [redacted] years of service at IBM. At age [redacted] I had 1/2 of my thyroid removed since doctors were concerned that it COULD be cancerous. At age [redacted] I had the other half removed after they confirmed it was cancer. There is not even 1 case of thyroid problems in my family - anywhere. I went through not just one but two awful surgeries. I have spent years monitoring my thyroid and hospital trips to [redacted] University. I had endless nights of no sleep and still struggle today trying to keep my thyroid levels correct. When thyroid levels are incorrect, it causes lack of sleep, weight gain or loss and heart problems. Before and after my surgery, I worked [redacted] hours a week trying to make management happy. It just makes me so angry to think about what I gave to IBM and that it's taken this long to take action regarding the IBM employees.

Just a couple of years ago, the [redacted] that was running our team passed away with brain cancer. He was in his early [redacted]

Concerned IBMer,