

# Poisoned Water, Birth Defects and Cancer, Are This Vice President's Legacy.

Vice President George Bush often boasts of his accomplishments as head of a so-called "Task Force on Regulatory Relief" since 1981.

We do not know why. It is a deplorable record. He asked private industry to submit their wish-lists and then did his best to gut the environmental safeguards vital to Americans in every walk of life.

Years of bureaucratic foot-dragging and senseless delays inspired, aided and abetted by Vice President Bush cannot and should not be forgotten.

They cost thousands of Americans their lives and their health. For example:

Nearly twenty thousand Americans will develop cancer this year because of pesticide residues in meat and produce. Bush weakened the law that might have protected us all.

A four year delay in aspirin labeling disabled or killed thousands of children who contracted Reye's Syndrome.

Toxic waste is still leaching into Silicon Valley's water supply, and Bush's E.P.A. pretends there isn't a problem.

Over 100 health care workers will die from delays in limiting exposure to ethylene oxide.

The Vice President was eager to spare a few gasoline refiners, even if it meant higher levels of toxic lead in America's children.

And he led the fight to keep cancer-causing dyes in our food, toxics in our waterways, and asbestos in our future.

This is just a small part of the public record. It includes an attempt to literally discount the value of human life in order to kill public health and environmental guidelines.

His record should give pause to those who think Mr. Bush did not accomplish anything as vice president.

And give warning to Americans who wonder what he hopes to achieve as president.

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**Here Are Just A Few Of The Regulatory Areas Interfered With By VP Bush's Task Force....At Industry's Special Request:**

- Aspirin and Reye's Syndrome
- Infant Formula Prescription Information
- Toxic Shock
- Cancer-Causing Food Additives
- Workplace Toxins
- Ethylene Oxide
- Grain Dust Explosions
- Diver Decompression
- Lead in Gasoline
- Asbestos
- VDI's and Birth Defects
- Toxics in Sewage
- Crushed Bone in Meat

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