Rep. Waxman, Sens. Boxer and Obama, and Reps. Towns and Lynch protest EPA's abandonment of regulations required by law to protect children from exposure to lead in renovated homes. The Toxic Substances Control Act requires EPA to set national standards for lead-safe renovation and remodeling practices. These regulations would protect children, their families, and construction workers from one of the largest sources of exposure to lead. Although EPA has avoided making a formal announcement of its decision, the agency has apparently decided to forego issuing these regulations. Instead, EPA plans to ask the construction industry involved in home renovation and remodeling to voluntarily implement protective practices. EPA's actions do not comply with the law, and they utterly fail to protect our children from a toxic substance that can cause severe developmental damage. **Documents and Links**

- Letter to Administrator Johnson