AN INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION OF THE NEWLY-REVISED DRAFT ISEE ETHICS GUIDELINES: KEY PRINCIPLES, CASE STUDIES, AND APPROACHES TO ETHICAL CHALLENGES

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Background and Aims: The final thirty minutes of the Symposium will be a moderated, interactive discussion of the draft of the revised ISEE Ethics Guidelines.

Methods: The discussion will reflect on the five presentations and the case studies presented, and how they are relevant to the mission of the ISEE and environmental epidemiologists. Feedback will be elicited from attendees on the content of the Guidelines; the value of case studies in illustrating the relevance of the Guidelines in actual practice; and on developing solutions for preventing and managing ethical conflicts.

Results: A paper will emerge from these proceedings for wider dissemination among environmental epidemiologists, with a view towards the ISEE’s eventual adoption of the revised Ethics Guidelines.

Conclusions: It is our goal to increase awareness of the ISEE Ethics Guidelines, and to engage members of our profession in a positive dialogue about ethics issues that are so vital to the positive impacts of our work.