



Media Advisory  
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## Members of the Int'l Campaign for Justice in Bhopal to 'Die-in' Ahead of Dow Chemical Meeting

Noon, Saturday, May 6th – Campaign for Justice in Bhopal supporters in 5 cities will host informational sessions and re-enactments of the 1984 Union Carbide Chemical Disaster in Bhopal, India - Saturday, May 6th at noon. In Seattle, San Francisco and Boston, professionals and students will lie under shrouds downtown from 12-1pm to raise awareness about Dow Chemical Company's role in the 22,000+ deaths in Bhopal. Parallel education events will be held in Portland, OR and Cincinnati, OH.

The supporters want Dow to take responsibility for the toxic clean up in Bhopal and face criminal charges. Dow, which bought Union Carbide in 2001, refuses to clean up the abandoned factory site and resulting heavy metal and pesticide-contaminated drinking water.

Dow's Annual General Shareholder meeting will be held in Midland, Michigan at 10am Thursday, May 11th. A Shareholder resolution on Bhopal asks Dow to establish new initiatives to address concerns of Bhopal survivors. See <http://www.proxynformation.com> for the full resolution.

**WHO:** International Campaign for Justice in Bhopal  
**WHAT:** Die-ins re-enacting the 1984 Bhopal Chemical Disaster, outreach events  
**WHEN:** Noon, Saturday, May 6th  
**WHERE:** Die-ins – Seattle, San Francisco, Boston; Ed events – Cincinnati, Portland \* details below  
**WHY:** Dow Chemical Annual Shareholder meeting on Thursday, May 11th hosts critical Bhopal resolution asking the company to report on Bhopal liabilities.

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The US branch of the International Campaign for Justice in Bhopal works as a coalition with groups such as Association for India's Development and Sierra Student Coalition with 40 chapters among professionals and students. It uses education, grassroots organizing and non-violent direct action to pressure Dow Chemical and the Indian Government to uphold the Bhopalis' demand for justice, and their fundamental human right to live free of chemical poison.

\*Photos will be available upon request