**Class Discussion Questions**

**Case #1: *Blue Vinyl***

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***Instructions***: Please provide a brief answer to each of the following questions. Your response will be due at the beginning of class on Monday, 2 April 2012.

1. What is the problem portrayed in this film?

* Whose problem is it?
* What specific population(s) is(are) at risk?
* Who or what caused the problem?

2. Is it a Public Health problem? Why or why not?

3. Who is responsible for the problem?

* What did they know about the health risks? When?
* What did they do about it?
* What should they have done?

4. What has been the “official” response to the problem, in the U.S.A.?

* What agency(ies) has(have) jurisdiction over the problem?
* What have they done about it?
* Has it been sufficient? Why or Why not?

5. What should have been done about the problem? How?

Things to consider in thinking about the film and the argument(s) it makes, when answering the above questions.

* What is the bias of the film makers?
* How reputable were the scientists – on either side?
* How compelling is the science?
* How accurately is it portrayed?
* What were the “drivers”?