The following may be attributed to Gwen Myers of Imerys Talc America:

"We remain confident in the consensus of government agencies and professional scientific organizations that have reviewed the safety of talc, that talc is safe.

Independent agencies and organizations - including the Food & Drug Administration and the Centers for Disease Control have found that cosmetic grade talc is safe for personal use. Moreover, a broad range of medical and scientific organizations - including the National Cancer Institute (of the U.S. National Institutes of Health), American Society of Clinical Oncologists, the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the National Toxicology Program, the Occupational Safety & Health Administration, and the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists - either have declined to find that cosmetic grade talc is cancer-causing generally or a risk factor for ovarian cancer specifically.

Imerys Talc America sympathizes with women suffering from ovarian cancer and hopes that the scientific community's efforts will be directed toward finding the true causes of this terrible disease."