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The Honorable Richard A. Meserve  
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Dear Chairman Meserve:

In the wake of the terrorist attacks that occurred in New York and Washington, D.C. on Tuesday, we are writing to offer our strong support to your efforts to assist the victims of this tragedy. An attack of this magnitude not only places a significant responsibility on our nation's military, but it requires agencies across the government to provide expertise and assistance in a coordinated manner to effectively respond to the crisis.

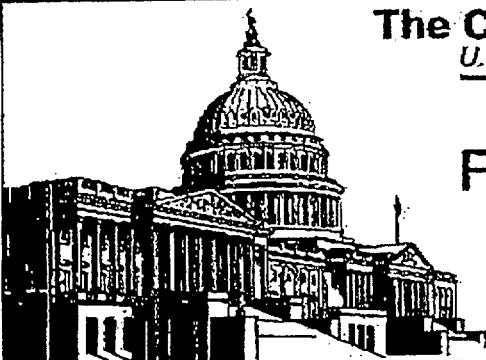
In light of the unprecedented challenges that America faces, our Committee stands ready to assist your Department and to pass legislation to enable you to fully respond to the recent attacks. Our Committee has already received several requests from federal agencies regarding the possibility of changing certain federal requirements for the duration of this crisis. We believe that it may be helpful to move emergency legislation within the next few weeks to assist your efforts and bring the full weight of Congress behind your Department's actions.

With that in mind, we would greatly appreciate it if you could forward to our Committee any specific legislative proposals that will better enable your Department to respond to this tragedy. Whether the request relates to the authorization of additional resources for emergency programs or temporarily modifying your authority to undertake certain actions, we will give all of your proposals serious and expedited consideration.

Thank you for your attention to this request during this time of National crisis.

  
 W.J. "Billy" Tauzin  
 Chairman

Sincerely,  
  
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 Ranking Member



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