

June 5, 2008

The Honorable Rick Boucher  
Chairman, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality  
Committee on Energy and Commerce  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

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Sincerely,

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Rebecca L. Schmidt, Director  
Office of Congressional Affairs

Enclosure: *Federal Register* notice

cc: Representative Fred Upton

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The Honorable Thomas R. Carper  
Chairman, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change,  
and Nuclear Safety  
Committee on Environment and Public Works  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

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cc: Senator George V. Voinovich

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