

March 26, 2009

The Honorable Henry A. Waxman  
Chairman, Committee on Energy  
and Commerce  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

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Enclosed is a copy of the ANPR which is being transmitted to the *Federal Register* for publication. The notice provides a 75-day public comment period.

Sincerely,

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Rebecca L. Schmidt, Director  
Office of Congressional Affairs

Enclosure:  
*Federal Register* notice

cc: Representative Joe Barton

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Chairman, Committee on Environment  
and Public Works  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

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cc: Senator James M. Inhofe

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