

June 22, 2010

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Committee on Energy and Commerce
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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Committee on Environment and Public Works
United States Senate
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