

May 29, 2013

The Honorable Barbara Boxer
Chairman, Committee on Environment
and Public Works
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairman:

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Sincerely,

/RA/ Amy Powell for

Rebecca Schmidt, Director
Office of Congressional Affairs

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cc: Senator David Vitter

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

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