

February 1, 2017

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

Dear Mr. Chairman:

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For more information, see the enclosed document.

Please contact me at 301-415-1776 if you have questions or need more information.

Sincerely,

/RA/ James J. Colgary for

Eugene Dacus, Director  
Office of Congressional Affairs

Enclosure:  
As stated

cc: Senator Thomas R. Carper

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The Honorable Greg Walden  
Chairman, Committee on Energy  
United States House of Representatives  
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cc: Representative Frank Pallone, Jr.

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The Honorable Fred Upton  
Chairman, Subcommittee on Energy  
Committee on Energy and Commerce  
United States House  
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cc: Representative Paul Tonko

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The Honorable Shelley Moore Capito  
Chairman, Subcommittee on Clean Air  
and Nuclear Safety  
Committee on Environment and Public Works  
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