

Draft Congressional Letters

The Honorable Joe L. Barton, Chairman
Subcommittee on Energy and Power
Committee on Commerce
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515
Dear Mr. Chairman:

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Sincerely,
Dennis K. Rathbun, Director
Office of Congressional Affairs

Enclosure: As stated

cc w/encl.: Representative Ralph M. Hall

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Committee on Environment and Public Works
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