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The Honorable Guy F. Caruso
Administrator
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Dear Mr. Caruso:

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations on Tuesday, May 22, 2007, at the hearing entitled "Gasoline Prices, Oil Company Profits, and the American Consumer." We appreciate the time and effort you gave as a witness before the Subcommittee.

Under the Rules of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the hearing record remains open to permit Members to submit additional questions to the witnesses. Attached are questions directed to you from certain Members of the Committee. In preparing your answers to these questions, please address your response to the Member who has submitted the question(s) and include the text of the Member's question along with your response.

To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, your responses to these questions should be received no later than the close of business **Friday, July 27, 2007**. Your written responses should be delivered to **316 Ford House Office Building** and faxed to **202-225-5288** to the attention of Kyle Chapman, Legislative Clerk. An electronic version of your response should also be sent by e-mail to Mr. Kyle Chapman at kyle.chapman@mail.house.gov in a single Word formatted document.

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Thank you for your prompt attention to this request. If you need additional information or have other questions, please contact Kyle Chapman at (202) 226-2424.

Sincerely,



JOHN D. DINGELL
CHAIRMAN

Attachment

cc: The Honorable Joe Barton, Ranking Member
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The Honorable Bart Stupak, Chairman
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The Honorable Ed Whitfield, Ranking Member
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The Honorable Gene Green, Member
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The Honorable Gene Green

1. Mr. Caruso, in your testimony you state that global oil consumption is projected to grow by 1.4 million barrels per day in 2007 and by 1.6 million barrels per day in 2008, much of which is from increased demand from the U.S. and China.
 - Using long-term forecasts, what are the worldwide projected oil consumption demands 10 to 20 years down the road for quickly growing economies like China or India? How will this affect gas prices in the future?
 - Given these new demands, can gas prices be reduced without increased global oil and natural gas exploration?