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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

Washington, D.C. 20230

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

cc: J Sopko

July 13, 2007

The Honorable John Dingell  
Chairman, Committee on Energy  
and Commerce  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

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I look forward to working with your staff to ensure that NOAA responds to your request in a thorough and timely manner. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 202-482-4981, if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Director

cc: The Honorable Joe Barton  
Ranking Member, Committee on  
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