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## U.S. Climate Partnership Association

December 23, 2002

The Honorable James Connaughton Chair Council on Environmental Quality 722 Jackson Place, NW Washington, DC 20503

Dear Mr. Connaughton:

On behalf of the members of the U.S. Climate Partnership Association (USCPA), we want to add our support to the Administration's Climate Initiative and would welcome the opportunity to participate in the January 23, 2003, "Business Challenge" event at the White House. USCPA is a cross-industry trade association of companies (Alcan, Cinergy, Honda, General Motors, Pfizer and WE Energies) supporting voluntary efforts to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

USCPA advocates sound climate policy and is committed to working with the White House, Department of Energy, EPA and Congress to reduce GHG emissions. USCPA is unique in that it is providing value to companies as a both a "learning" organization, and an "advocacy" organization.

As a "learning" organization, USCPA is providing a forum for companies to learn how to account for their GHG emissions; identify low-cost options; report to the DOE 1605(b) registry and set a goal. As an "advocacy' organization, USCPA is providing a forum for companies to participate in meetings with the White House, DOE, EPA and Congress to deliver a positive message that voluntary programs addressing GHG emissions are working; stay abreast of state activities and communicate a positive message to a wide-audience about USCPA companies commitment to voluntary programs.

We appreciate your consideration of USCPA's participation in the January 23 "Business Challenge" event. If you have any questions, we would be pleased to schedule a meeting with you to discuss further USCPA's activities. I can be reached at (202) 530-5910. Thank you.

Sincerely

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