Appendix A

Request Letter

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Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

October 31, 2007

The Honorable Guy F. Caruso
Administrator
Energy Information Administration
1000 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20585

Dear Mr. Caruso:

We write to request that you conduct a quantitative analysis of the impact of Speaker Nancy Pelosi's energy bill (H.R. 3221) on domestic oil, natural gas, gasoline and diesel supplies and prices. We are deeply concerned that rising energy prices threaten family budgets and jobs, and we believe more of our energy supplies should be produced at home. The Energy Information Administration's analysis would be a useful metric for measuring whether the bill meets these tests, making this the first objective analysis of the bill. With energy prices approaching real all-time highs, we believe the responsibility of Congress is to "first, do no harm" to energy availability and/or price.

Specifically, we ask that your analysis focus on Title VII and Sections 9611 and 13001. While we would like the Energy Information Administration (EIA) to undertake a broad review of the energy and economic impacts of these specific provisions, please identify if any provision will actually increase the domestic supply of oil, natural gas, gasoline and diesel thereby reducing price. We are concerned that none does. Rather, we anticipate the opposite effect. That is why we ask for your analysis.
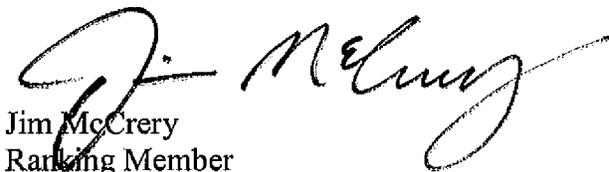
Please contact Maryam Sabbaghian at (202) 226-3211, with any questions.

We appreciate your guidance and assistance. The Energy Information Administration has made key contributions to discussion and understanding of energy issues. The objective analysis we request will greatly help the Congress in its understanding of national energy policy.

Sincerely,

Don Young
Ranking Member
Committee on Natural Resources

Jim McCrery
Ranking Member
Committee on Ways and Means

Joe Barton
Ranking Member
Committee on Energy and Commerce

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