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Members of Congress:

On behalf of the National Science and Technology Council, the U.S. Climate Change Science Program (CCSP) is pleased to transmit to the President and the Congress this report, *Scenarios of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Atmospheric Concentrations and Review of Integrated Scenario Development and Application*. This is the second in a series of Synthesis and Assessment Products produced by the CCSP. This series of 21 reports is aimed at providing current evaluations of climate change science to inform public debate, policy, and operational decisions. These reports are also intended to help inform CCSP's consideration of future program priorities. This second Synthesis and Assessment Product issued pursuant to Section 106 of the Global Change Research Act of 1990 and has two components: "Development of New Scenarios of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Atmospheric Concentrations" (Part A) and a "Review of Integrated Scenario Development and Application" (Part B). Here we transmit to you Part A.

CCSP's guiding vision is to provide the Nation and the global community with the science-based knowledge to manage the risks and opportunities of change in the climate and related environmental systems. The Synthesis and Assessment Products are important steps toward that vision, helping translate CCSP's extensive observational and research base into informational tools directly addressing key questions that are being asked of the research community.

This product will contribute to and enhance the ongoing and iterative international process of producing and refining climate-related scenarios and scenario tools. It was developed with broad scientific input and in accordance with the Guidelines for Producing CCSP Synthesis and Assessment Products, Section 515 of the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (Public Law 106-554), and the Information Quality Act guidelines issued by the Department of Energy pursuant to Section 515. The CCSP Interagency Committee relies on Department of Energy certifications regarding compliance with Section 515 and the Guidelines for Producing CCSP Synthesis and Assessment Products.

We commend the report's authors for both the thorough nature of their work and their adherence to an inclusive review process.

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