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February 1, 2008

The Honorable Stephen L. Johnson
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator Johnson:

On December 20, 2007, I wrote to request that you provide the Committee with documents relating to your decision to reject California's efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

On January 18, 2008, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) began producing documents from the Office of the Administrator. However, several of these documents were redacted. Your staff stated that the redactions were to protect "confidential, internal information."

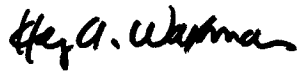
Although this is not a valid basis for withholding information from the Committee, I agreed to have Committee staff review the documents to assess whether the documents would be necessary for the Committee's investigation. This process has been constructive. Committee staff has reviewed unredacted versions of the redacted documents submitted to the Committee and has determined that much of the redacted information is unnecessary for the investigation. Of the documents that the staff reviewed, I am requesting that you provide five unredacted documents to the Committee: these five documents are the sets of October 30, 2007, briefing slides reviewed by the Committee staff.

I ask you to provide complete, unredacted copies of these documents to the Committee by close of business on Monday, February 4, 2008.

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If you have any questions concerning this request, please have your staff contact Greg Dotson or Jeff Baran of the Committee staff at (202) 225-4407.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Henry A. Waxman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent "H" and "W".

Henry A. Waxman
Chairman

cc: Tom Davis
Ranking Minority Member