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

Dear Administrator Caruso:

I am writing to request that the Energy Information Administration (EIA) provide me with information regarding the energy and economic impacts that might result from enactment of legislation to limit emissions of green house gases.

EIA had previously (June 2003) provided a detailed analysis of S.139, the Climate Stewardship Act as introduced in January 2003. More recently, during a floor debate last October, Senators McCain and Lieberman, the primary sponsors of S.139, proposed an amended bill that included the first phase of emissions reductions beginning in 2010, but removed references to a second phase of reductions beginning in 2016. The amended bill leaves a decision regarding further reductions to future policymakers.

While EIA's June 2003 analysis considered only the original version of S.139, I understand that the revised bill mandating only the first phase of reductions may again be considered by the Senate in the near future. Accordingly, I request that EIA provide me with any information it may have regarding the energy and economic impacts of the revised proposal.

Given the possibility of floor debate on this matter, I would appreciate receiving your response as quickly as possible, recognizing that you may need to rely on modeling results already in hand to meet this request. Please contact me or Neil Naraine of my office at 202-224-8854 with any questions.

With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely,



Mary L. Landrieu
United States Senator

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