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The Honorable Jay E. Hakes Administrator Energy Information Administration U.S. Department of Energy 1000 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20585

Dear Dr. Hakes;

On December 16, 1998, we formally requested that the Energy Information Administration undertake a study to analyze the impact of specific policies on reducing carbon emissions. The purpose of this letter is to ask you to analyze the impact of the President's Climate Change Technology Initiative, as defined for the 2000 budget, on reducing carbon emissions from the levels forecast in the Annual Energy Outlook 1999 reference case. Also, in our previous letter we asked you to evaluate an earlier start date than 2005, which was the first year that the price signal was passed to consumers in your study of the Kyoto Protocol that you conducted at our request. We would like you to use a start date of 2000 and compare the annual and camulative carbon price for complying with the Protocol for 3 of the cases you considered in the earlier study (24% above, 9% above, and 7% below 1990 levels) with the later start date of 2005.

We would appreciate these analyses in the next few months and may request further analyses as we evaluate other policies that the Administration is contemplating. Our staff will continue to work with your staff on any questions you may have relating to this request.

F. JAMES SENSENBRENNER, JR. Chairman

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