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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

November 7, 1996

The Honorable Lauch Faircloth, Chairman  
Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private  
Property and Nuclear Safety  
Committee on Environment and Public Works  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

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Sincerely,

Dennis K. Rathbun, Director  
Office of Congressional Affairs

Enclosure: As stated

cc: Senator Bob Graham

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Committee on Commerce  
United States House of  
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cc: Representative Frank Pallone