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June 29, 1981

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Dear Wayne:

This is to acknowledge receipt of and thank you for your letter of recent date to which you attached a copy of Resolution 121-A, stating the AMA's (American Medical Association) support of the President's economic program.

On behalf 66 the President and the entire Administration, I would like to express our sincere gratitude for your continued support and urge you to keep up the good work!

With cordial regard, I am

Sincerely,

Max L. Friedersdorf Assistant to the President

Mr. Wayne W. Bradley
Group Vice President, Public Affairs
American Medical Association
1776 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20006



AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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WAYNE W. BRADLEY Group Vice President Public Affairs (857-1315) 26 JUN 1981

June 25, 1981

Mr. Max L. Friedersdorf Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20500

Dear Max:

At its meeting a few days ago, the AMA House of Delegates passed Resolution 121-A, supporting the President's program for reduced federal spending and reduced government regulations, which I have attached.

As you know, we are working to pass the President's programs in this area.

The AMA House of Delegates, with over 280 representatives of state medical associations, national specialty societies, residents, medical students, and medical school deans, is the ultimate policymaking body for American medicine.

Sincerely,

Wayne W. Bradley

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AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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At its Annual Meeting in Chicago, Illinois, on June 11, 1981, the House of Delegates of the American Medical Association adopted the following resolution:

Substitute Resolution 121-A "Support of President Reagan's Program for Reduced Federal Spending and Government Regulations"

RESOLVED: That the American Medical Association continue to support the objectives of the President as he seeks to revitalize the nation's economy and restore fiscal integrity to federal budget policy by reducing federal spending, reducing federal regulations, and reducing federal taxes.

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June 30, 1981

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Dear Mr. Hernandez:

Thank you for sending President Reagan the resolutions adopted by the Baptist Churches of Puerto Rico. Your courtesy in bringing these statements of views to his attention is appreciated, and you may be sure that they have been fully noted.

with best wishes,

Sincerely,

Anne Higgins Director of Correspondence

The Reverend Pedro Hernandez
Iglesias Bautistas de Puerto Rico
Calle Mayaguez Num. 21
Hato Rey, Puerto Rico 00917

AVH/SRH/SEV/Lpt(0) AVH-45(mod.)

Resolution urging U.S., Cuba, and the U.S.S.R. from intervening in other countries affairs AVH-45 (1st rev)

RE: Resolution (organization)

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 12

February 10, 1981

Dear Hernandez:

Thank you for sending President Reagan the Presolution of the Baptat Churches Your courtesy in bringing the statements of views to his attention is appreciated, and you may be sure that it has been fully noted.

With best wishes, to you and the members of your organization,

Sincerely,

Anne Higgins
Director of Correspondence

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RDO. PEDRO HERNANDEZ Ministro Ejecutivo Asociado (809) 767-6242 - 763-5055

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May 19, 1981

President Ronald Reagan White House Washington, D.C

I'm pleased to include the resolutions concerning the outside intervention of various countries towards other nations, and the Haitian refugees, both of them adopted by the Baptist Churches of Puerto Rico, during the last annual meeting on March 5-8, 1981.

Thanks for the attention you may give toward these important issues.

Most respectfully,

Rev. Pedro Hernández

Assoc. Executive Minister

PH/deb Enclosure



IGLESIAS BAUTISTAS DE PUERTO RICO

(Baptist Churches of Puerto Rico)

IGLESIAS BAUTISTAS DE PUERTO RICO Calle Mayaguez #21 Hato Rey, Puerto Rico 00917

RESOLUTION #VIII

WHEREAS

our children are continually being exposed to

sensationalistic journalism and especially violence

from television;

WHEREAS

this exposure is deformative, affecting our children

negatively;

WITERIAS

: it is our responsibility to promote a sound

environment;

WHEREAS

: the Christian Church must help to create a new

life style for the people of Puerto Rico;

THEREFORE : Be it resolved,

1) That the Board of Christian Education begin an orientation process for awareness of the negative effect of the above-mentioned.

2) That the agencies concerned be advised of our preoccupation (newspapers, magazines, Association of Journalists).

IGLESIAS BAUTISTAS DE PUERTO RICO Calle Mayaguez #21 Hato Rey, Puerto Rico 00917

RESOLUTION #III

WHEREAS : God created man so that he can be fully realized in freedom and in harmony with his fellow men;

WHEREAS: the Cospel is Good News of freedom for all those threatened by forces and powers that seek to control their possibilities of free and full realization;

whereAS : the Soviet Union has intervened and continues its intervention in Afghanistan preventing the sacred right of self-determination of the sale of Afghanistan;

WHEREAS : the Soviet Union has threatened to intervene in Poland to prevent the sacred right of self-determination of the people of Poland;

WHEREAS: The United States of America and Cuba have intervened and continue to do so in El Salvador preventing the sacred right of self-determination of the people of El Salvador;

THEREFORE : Be it resolved;

- 1) That the Baptist Churches of Puerto Rico express their indignation and repudiation regarding the action and attitudes of the Soviet Union, of the United States of America, of Cuba and any other country that is depriving the people of another country of its self-determination.
- 2) That the Baptist Churches of Puerto Rico by these means exhort the Soviet Union, the United States of America and Cuba to respect the right of self-determination of Afghanistan, Poland and El Salvador and other countries and to abstain from all intervention and/or oppression of any kind.
- 3) That this resolution reach all the news media in Puerto Rico, to the government of the United

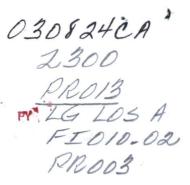
States of America, Soviet Union, Poland, Cuba, Afghanistan, El Salvador, the United Nations, to the World Council of Churches and the American Baptist Churches (USA).



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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(213) 974-4111



June 24, 1981

Mr. Craig Fuller
Special Assistant to the President/
Director of Cabinet Administration
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Craig:

I thought you might be interested in the attached motion which Supervisor Schabarum recently authored.

The motion was passed by the Board (Supervisor Edelman voting no and Supervisor Hahn being absent).

Be assured of our support for the President and our desire to be of whatever assistance possible.

Warmest personal regards,

PETE SCHABARUM Supervisor, First District

KEITH D. CURRY

Deputy \

KDC:la

Enclosure

Motion to endorse the Reagan bipartisan

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR PETE SCHABARUM

JUNE 9, 1981

The message of the last election was clear, the people demand <u>less</u> government spending and less taxes.

Congress, in a responsible, bipartisan manner, has already responded to the first call by placing a realistic limit on federal spending. This action was the important first step in cutting down the size of the federal bureacracy.

On the issue of tax cuts, however, the Congress continues to wallow in the public-be-damned attitude of business as usual. The free spenders of the past three decades are fighting hard to keep their hands firmly in the pockets of the American working people.

The President has shown bold vision in suggesting an across-the-board reduction of 30 percent over three years. He has further demonstrated his desire to work with the Congress by modifying the tax cut to a three year total of 25 percent reduction.

Yet, despite these efforts by the President, key Congressional big spenders are blocking a significant tax cut for the American people.

The President has shown good faith in working with Congress; it's now time for the Congress to do likewise.

- --A tax system which requires the average American to work almost five full months just to pay taxes is obscene.
- --A tax system which allows the average American to save less than two percent of his income is confiscatory.
- --A tax system which penalizes working men and women who happen to be married defies justification.
- --A tax system which discourages savings for retirement is foolhardy.

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--A tax system which does not promote investment in American reindustrialization stifles the free enterprise system that made America great.

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President Reagan has proposed a fair and equitable plan to address all of these issues. It is a plan that, despite the demagogic class oriented attacks by its opponents, will put more money into the pockets of every working American.

It is the heighth of arrogance for big spending Congressmen to suggest that they can spend the people's money better than the people who earn it.

The time is now for a meaningful tax cut.

THEREFORE, I MOVE THAT the Board endorse the Reagan bipartisan tax cut compromise which calls for a 25 percent cut over three years and urge the California Congressional delegation to support the President's plan.

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The EPA has advised me that on June 30, 1981, the city of Tappen was awarded a \$418,250 grant to construct its proposed wastewater treatment facilities.

In an attempt to get better control of construction grants spending, the Administrator of the EPA implemented some administrative reforms regarding Agency procedures. These reforms included modification of the Regional Administrator's approval authority for certain categories of construction grants. Headquarters' review and concurrence is required only for awards over \$500,000 and Step 3 awards over \$5 million. Additionally, Headquarters' concurrence is required for all Step 3 increases which exceed 50 percent of the amount of the original grant award. In the case of Tappen, however, the decision was made by the Regional Administrator since none of the criteria requiring Headquarters' concurrence were involved.

The construction grants program is one of the Administrator's personal priorities and I can assure you that the changes were made to reduce, not increase, the unnecessary delays and uncertainties that have been experienced by private sector constituencies in the past.

Thank you for your patience in awaiting this more detailed response to your inquiry.

With cordial regard, I am

Sincerely,

Max L. Friedersdorf Assistant to the President

The Honorable Byron L. Dorgan House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

AUG 26 1981

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Leslie Sorg

Director of Agency Liaison

The White House

SUBJECT: Draft Response to Letter of Inquiry

In accordance with your request of August 4, 1981, I am enclosing a draft response to Congressman Byron L. Dorgan for the signature of Max L. Friedersdorf concerning the Environmental Protection Agency's approval process for a construction grant for the city of Tappen, North Dakota.

Sincerely,

Jack Woolley

Office of Congressional Liaison

Attachment

Judith Rohrer
Writing Unit
Congressional Liaison
A-102
Room 823 WT
755-0573

Honorable Byron L. Dorgan House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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Honorable Byron L. Dorgan Page 2

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PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM:

THE HONORABLE BYRON L. DORGAN U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON DC 20515

SUBJECT: ENCLOSES PETITION FROM THE CITIZENS OF TAPPEN NORTH DAKOTA, REGARDING THEIR REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR PROJECTS, SUCH AS, SEWER SYSTEM

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PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

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July 31, 1981

Dear Mr. Dorgan:

The President has asked me to thank you for your July 6 letter regarding the sewer system and wastewater treatment lagoon for the city of Tappen, North Dakota.

Please know that we appreciate hearing from you on this matter, and that I have transmitted your comments to the appropriate advisory staff for careful consideration. I am certain that they will thoroughly study the concerns you have outlined on behalf of the people of Tappen.

With cordial regard, I am

Sincerely,

Max L. Friedersdorf
Assistant to the President

The Honorable Byron L. Dorgan House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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cc: w/copy of inc to Office of Congressional Liaison, Environmental Protection Agency, Wash, DC 20460 - for DRAFT response

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Honorable Byron L. Dorgan House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

> Re: Federal Sewage Works Grant C 380452-94 (Step 4) Tappen, North Dakota

Dear Mr. Dorgan:

Your letter concerning the Tappen, North Dakota Construction Grant has been referred to me for reply.

I am happy to advise you that the grant for the City, in the amount of \$418,250.00, was signed on June 30, 1981.

If you desire additional information, please contact me or Mr. William H. Normberg of my staff at (303) 837-3961.

Sincerely yours,

Steven J. Durham Regional Administrator

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ADDRESS: TAPPEN, ND 58487

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Washington, D.C. 20515

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July 6, 1981

The Honorable Ronald W. Reagan The President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to you in regard to the enclosed petition which the signers want brought to your attention.

The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency has decided to bring all projects, such as the sewer system and wastewater treatment lagoon for the city of Tappen, North Dakota, to Washington where she will make the final decision on approval of their funding. Removing this approval from the regional jurisdiction is causing much unnecessary delay in the progress of these projects.

I have written to the Administrator of EPA asking her to reconsider her "centralizing" policy. I hope that you will give every consideration to the concerns of the people of Tappen and use your office to persuade the EPA to act on these projects more expeditiously.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Byron L. Dorgan Member of Congress

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Enclosure

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July 6, 1981

Mrs. Anne Gorsuch Administrator Environmental Protection Agency 401 M Street Southwest Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Mrs. Gorsuch:

I am writing to you again in regard to the proposed municipal sewer system and wastewater treatment lagoon for the city of Tappen. North Dakota. This letter is in follow up to my letter of June 24.

Enclosed is a petition from the citizens of Tappen who are very concerned about their system and want the matter brought to the attention of the President. I thought you would like a copy for your information.

I hope you will be able to act on the proposal for the city of Tappen and I would appreciate it if you let me know what that action is.

Sincerely,

Byron L. Dorgan Member of Congress

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Enclosures

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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

June 24, 1981

Mrs. Anne Gorsuch Administrator Environmental Protection Agency 401 M Street Southwest Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Mrs. Gorsuch:

The city of Tappen. North Dakota has been working on a municipal sewer system and wastewater treatment lagoon since 1978 in conjunction with the Environmental Protection Agency. Now their Step II/III application has been submitted and you have this application here in Washington. Enclosed is the Mayor's letter for your information.

Your policy of bringing all of these projects into Washington is undoubtedly causing a delay in many of these projects. It furthermore is not consistent with the President's desire to decentralize the government.

I hope you will reconsider your policy and allow these projects to go forward in a timely fashion. Thank you for your attention to this matter. I would appreciate it if you could give me a status report on the Tappen case and let me know when you will act on their application.

Sincerely,

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Byron L. Dorgan Member of Congress

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Enclosure

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June 12, 1981

Congressman Byron L. Dorgan United States Congress Washington, D. C. 20000

Re: Step II/III Application EPA Project No. C380452-01 Tappen, North Dakota

Dear Sir:

I am writing for myself, the Tappen City Council, and the citizens of Tapped North Dakota. We have been working through the manual mantal rectality construction grants program to obtain funding for a fundamental rectality of the construction grants program to obtain since 1978. Because of the Reagan Administration's fiscal policy, our state which was submitted in the is in doubt of being approved.

The problem as I understand it is the directive from the new EPA Administrator that approval of all new grants or increases in existing grants may be approved or disapproved only in Washington, instead of at the Regional Office (Denver). This will result in further time delays and probably mean that the anticipated construction of the project this summer will have to be postponed one more year. We have a high water table and a sandy soil which makes the possibility of ground water contamination very high. The delay will also cause hardship and extra cost to local residents who will have to provide some kind of individual wastewater disposal for another year.

We must do something but because of our local limited financial resources with a high percentage of local residents on fixed incomes, any reduction in funding will seriously jeopardize the project.

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Because of delays caused by the Environmental Protection Agency, supplemental funds which were being provided by the Farmers Home Administration are uncertain because of scheduled cuts in their budget.

I would like to know the status of both the EPA and FHA budgets, any program changes in the construction grants program and what is the status of our Step II/III application in Washington. We appreciate any help which you can provide in getting the Step II/III application through the bureaucratic maze in Washington and back to us.

Sincerely,

Roy Haadem

Mayor

City of Tappen, North Dakota

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National Security Council

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REMARKS:

L. Paul Bromer, III Executive Secretary



DEPARTMENT OF STATE



Washington, D.C. 20520

August 7, 1981

Mr. Arie R. Brouwer General Secretary Reformed Church in America Office of the General Synod 18th Floor 475 Riverside Drive New York, New York 10115

Dear Mr. Brouwer:

Thank you for your letter of July 13, 1981 to the President communicating the views of the General Synod of the Reformed Church on apartheid in South Africa.

Although apartheid is an impediment to better US-South African relations, the answer is not to walk away from the problem or to indulge in moral posturing. Improved US-South African relations are mutually desirable and can be brought about as the result of building on areas of shared interest, though not at the expense of the values Americans cherish.

Our policy of "constructive engagement" with South Africa is based on the premise that change in South Africa can be brought about, nurtured and helped to fruition by positive support. It is not enough to condemn what we find objectionable. We must support alternatives we find acceptable.

The South African Government has consistently defended its apartheid policy on political, not religious grounds. In their view it is a matter of cultural necessity, not moral convenience. However, nowhere is apartheid more seriously questioned than in South Africa's churches. The evident conflict between South Africans' religious beliefs and their racial policy is one of the driving forces for change in the apartheid system.

Please be assured that the United States is firm in its support of peaceful, evolutionary change leading to a stable, nonracial society in South Africa and a better future for all South Africans.

Sincerely,

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Daniel H. Simpson

Acting Director, Office of Southern African Affairs

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

JULY 28, 1981

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:

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MEDIA: LETTER, DATED JULY 13, 1981

TO:

PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM:

MR. ARIE R. BROUWER GENERAL SECRETARY

REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA

475 RIVERSIDE DRIVE

18TH FLOOR

NEW YORK NY 10115

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT AND THE PRIME MINISTER OF

CANADA TO GIVE FRESH AFFIRMATION TO OUR COUNTRIES OPPOSITION TO APARTHEID (REPUBLIC

OF SOUTH AFRICA)

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

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Reformed Church in America

Arie R. Brouwer, General Secretary

Jeanette M. Doyle, Assistant to the General Secretary

Nancy Van Wyk Phillips, Associate for Interpretation

13 July 1981

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The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The 175th session of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, convened at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, from June 8 to June 12, 1981, took the following action:

To call on all consistories and other judicatories of the Reformed Church in America and its members to write to the President of the United States and the Prime Minister of Canada, urging them to give fresh affirmation to our countries' opposition to apartheid, and to establish that the abolition of apartheid is the key to normal relationships for both the United States of America and Canada with the Republic of South Africa, and further

to instruct the General Secretary to convey the above resolution to the member denominations of the National Council of Churches and such others as he deems appropriate, urging them to join with us in this effort.

Respectfully,

Arie R. Brouwer

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July 16, 1981

Dear Governor Gallen:

Thank you for sending President Reagan the resolutions adopted by the State Members of the New England Regional Commission and the New England Governors' Conference.

Your courtesy in bringing these statements of views to his attention is appreciated, and you may be sure that they have been fully noted.

With best wishes to you and the members of the Commission and the Governors' Conference,

Sincerely,

Anne Higgins Director of Correspondence

The Honorable Hugh J. Gallen Governor of New Hampshire New England Regional Commission 141 Hilk Street Boston, MA 02109

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 27, 1981

Dear 1st Governor Gallen.

Thank you for sending President Reagan the -> resolutions resolution adopted by your Council. Your courtesy in bringing the statement of views to his attention is appreciated, and you may be sure that it has been fully noted.

With best wishes to you and the members of your Council, > the Commission and the

Sincerely, Governors

Conference

Members of the New England Regional Com-Mission and the New England Conference,

Anne Higgins Director of Correspondence

/s/ 111 111

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2 Resolutions

NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL COMMISSION NEW ENGLAND GOVERNORS' CONFERENCE

RESOLUTION NUMBER 248

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A Resolution of the State Members of the New England Regional Commission and the New England Governors' Conference
Authorizing and Directing the New England Governors'
Conference to Maintain and Operate the New England Regional
Commission's Trade Adjustment Assistance Program

RECOGNIZING, that since September 1978 the New England Regional

Commission has been maintaining and operating a nationally recognized and

highly acclaimed Trade Adjustment Assistance Program for the New England

region and states under a grant from the United States Department of Commerce,

Economic Development Administration; and

RECOGNIZING, that federal participation in the New England Regional

Commission is to be withdrawn by September 30, 1981, because of Congressional

approval of the Administration's rescission of \$21 million dollars of FY1981 funds;

and

RECOGNIZING, that the United States Department of Commerce, Economic

Development Administration has expressed its concern to the New England Governors

over the future of the New England Regional Commission's Trade Adjustment

Assistance Program; and

RECOGNIZING, that the New England Governors on April 10, 1981, unanimously pledged to continue to work in concert to address the development objectives and processes of New England;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governors of New England that their duly organized regional entity, the New England Governors' Conference, be authorized and directed to take all actions legally necessary to maintain and operate the New England Regional Commission's Trade Adjustment Assistance Program under

a grant from the United States Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Conference, Governor Hugh J. Gallen, is hereby authorized to take all such lawful actions as he deems necessary and proper to ensure that the New England Governors' Conference maintains and operates, without interruption or undue interference whatsoever from any source, the New England Trade Adjustment Assistance Center.

This Resolution is effective immediately.

ADOPTION CERTIFIED BY THE STATE MEMBERS OF THE NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL COMMISSION AND THE NEW ENGLAND GOVERNORS' CONFERENCE ON JUNE 25, 1981.

Hugh J Gallen

Governor of New Hampshire State Cochairman, New England

Regional Commission

Chairman, New England Governors'

Conference

NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL COMMISSION NEW ENGLAND GOVERNORS' CONFERENCE

RESOLUTION NUMBER 247

A Resolution of the State Members of the New England
Regional Commission and the New England Governors' Conference
Affirming Their Commitment to Maintain a Regional
Forum for Coordination of Water Resources Planning
and Management in New England

WHEREAS, the New England River Basins Commission, which was created by the President in 1967 at the request of the Governors of the New England states and New York, has provided a forum for coordinating the planning and management of water and related land resources by federal and state agencies and has helped to solve water problems common to all states; and

WHEREAS, the United States Water Resources Council is expected to vote to terminate the New England River Basins Commission, effective September 30, 1981; and

WHEREAS, the wise use, conservation and development of the region's water and related land resources continue to be important to the economic and social well being of its people; and

WHEREAS, the New England Governors since November 4, 1937, have been associated voluntarily for the purpose of assisting the New England states, Governors, Congress, and the Federal Executive Branch, and the public by conducting non-partisan analysis study and research on their behalf in all matters of concern to these New England states, Governors, Congress, the Federal Executive Branch, and the public;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that should the New England River Basins

Commission be terminated, the State Members of the New England Regional Commission

and the New England Governors' Conference agree to and affirm their commitment to

maintain a regional forum for coordination of water resources planning and management in New England within the New England Governors' Conference for coordination of state and federal water resources planning and management; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Members of the New England River
Basins Commission are requested to provide for the transfer of all unobligated assets
of the Commission at the time of its termination to a forum for coordination of water
resources planning and management within the New England Governors' Conference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Members of the New England River
Basins Commission are also requested to prepare recommendations, in consultation with
the staff of the New England Governors' Conference, the Federal Members of the Commission and its citizen advisory committees, for consideration at the August, 1981,
meeting of the Governors' Conference on the following matters:

- appropriate water resource program activities to be sponsored by the New England Governors' Conference;
- the role of relevant state (including New York) and federal agencies and the public in such activities;
- methods of securing continuing financial support for the water resource programs; and
- management, staffing and technical support for such activities.

This Resolution is effective immediately.

ADOPTION CERTIFIED BY THE STATE MEMBERS OF THE NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL COMMISSION AND THE NEW ENGLAND GOVERNORS' CONFERENCE ON JUNE 25, 1981.

Hugh J Gallen

Governor of New Hampshire

State Cochairman, New England

Regional Commission

Chairman, New England Governors'

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Mr. Terry Miller

Dear Mr. Miller:

Thank you for your letters to the President and the Secretary of Transportation enclosing copies of the resolution adopted by the Alaska State Legislature that calls for the reservation of a rail corridor to the Canadian border.

Legislation has been prepared to transfer the Alaska Railroad to the State government and discussions are underway with the Alaska congressional delegation as well as the Governor's representatives. As part of the transfer process, it will be necessary to determine those Federal assets that will be needed by the State for continued rail operation. In this regard, it is helpful to have the views of the State legislature, and I appreciate your providing a copy of the resolution for our consideration.

Sincerely, Robert W. Blanchette

Robert W. Blanchette

The Honorable Terry Miller Lieutenant Governor of Alaska Pouch AA Juneau, Alaska 99811

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THE HONORABLE TERRY MILLER LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF ALASKA

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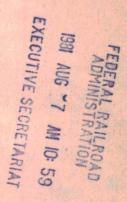
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POUCH AA JUNEAU 99811 (907) 465-3520

July 14, 1981

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The Honorable Ronald Reagan President of the United States The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear President Reagan:

For your information, I have enclosed a copy of the following Joint Resolution recently adopted by the first session of the Twelfth Alaska State Legislature:

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 18(SA)
Requesting the President to direct the creation of a
utility corridor for the extension of the Alaska
Railroad to the Canadian border.

Sincerely yours,

Terry Miller

Lieutenant Governor

Enclosure

Jim Midas.

STATE OF ALASKA

THE LEGISLATURE

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Requesting the President to direct the creation of a utility corridor for the extension of the Alaska Railroad to the Canadian border.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS it is essential that an international transportation link be developed if Alaska is ever to attain its full potential; and

WHEREAS, traditionally, railroad systems have been in the forefront of the development of new territories; and

WHEREAS the Yukon Territory and British Columbia are in the same position as Alaska in that transportation systems are needed to aid further development; and

WHEREAS it would seem logical and proper that the Alaska Railroad should connect with the Canadian railway system at some strategically located point; and

WHEREAS such a transportation linkup would be of mutual benefit to Alaska, the United States, and Canada; and

WHEREAS members of Canadian governments have expressed a willingness for talks concerning an international rail connection; and

WHEREAS President Reagan spoke many times during his campaign of using the vast storehouse of vital energy resources in Alaska; and

WHEREAS the Alaska Railroad has in its enabling Act, The Alaska Railroad Act (43 U.S.C. 975 - 975(g)), authority to extend its track up to 1,000 miles in length; and

WHEREAS sec. 501(a) of P.L. 94-579 of October 21, 1976,

authorizes the establishment of rights-of-way by the Secretary of the Interior over public domain land; and

WHEREAS the President, under authority granted to him by the Alaska Railroad Act of 1914, could eliminate a vast amount of red tape, delay, and excessive cost to government;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests the President of the United States to direct the Secretary of the Interior to create a utility corridor for the extension of the Alaska Railroad to the Canadian border as described in Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities Project X20089.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Ronald Reagan, President of the United States; the Honorable James G. Watt, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Drew Lewis, Secretary of Transportation; the Honorable Robert Burford, Director-Designate of the Bureau of Land Management; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Authentication

The following officers of the Legislature certify that the attached enrolled resolution, <u>CS for Senate Joint Resolution No.</u>

18 (State Affairs), was passed in conformity with the requirements of the constitution and laws of the State of Alaska and the Uniform Rules of the Legislature.

Passed by the Senate April 15, 1981

Jalmar M Kerttola President of the Senate

ATTEST:

Pegg Mylligan Secretary of the Senate

Passed by the House June 22, 1981

Joe L. Hayes

Speaker of the House

ATTEST

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Chief Clerk of the House

Jay Hammond Governor of Alaska July 17, 1981

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Dear Dick:

That spirit of efficiency you and I and all the rest of our team have tried to bring to Washington must have taken root -- at least a little bit, for that is one of the most succinct resolutions I have ever seen.

Thank you and please share my gratitude with the members of the Republican National Committee.

Nancy and I both appreciate the sentiments you all have expressed as well as your support during these first six months.

With my warm personal regard.

Sincerely.

RON

The Honorable Richard Richards Chairman Republican National Committee 310 First Street, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20003

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Resolution of support from the Republican National Committee

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Dear Dick:

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Thank you and please share my gratitude with the members of the Nazionakz Republican National Committee. Nancy and I sentiments both appreciate your words and, especially, your morale support through these first six months.

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Mith my warm personal regard.

s/ron

The Honorable Richard Richards Chairman Republican National Committee 310 First Street, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20003

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REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE

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July 10, 1981

Dear Mr. President:

At the meeting of the Republican National Committee held June 12-13, 1981, the Committee on Resolutions prepared a statement, which was enthusiastically adopted by the Republican National Committee, concerning your great leadership and your recovery from the attempt on your life.

It is my pleasure to transmit this resolution to you and at the same time to express again for myself personally and for the entire Republican National Committee our gratitude to you and Mrs. Reagan for the reception at The White House.

Respectfully yours,

ichard Richards Chairman

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the country and the world received a great shock on the attack against our great President; and

WHEREAS, his magnificent recovery has brought great joy to our country and the world;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT SOLEMNLY RESOLVED That the Republican National Committee expresses its sincere happiness that our President is fully recovered and again leads our country and our Party to their future destiny.

Chairman

Adopted at a Meeting of the Republican National Committee Held in Washington, D. C. June 13, 1981

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July 24, 1981

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Dear Mr. Jones:

Thank you for sending President Reagan the resolutions adopted by your organization.

Your courtesy in bringing these statements of views to his attention is appreciated, and you may be sure that they have been fully noted.

Sincerely,

Anne Biggins Director of Correspondence

Mr. Grant Jones

Chairman

Southwest Regional Energy Council
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RE: Resolution (organization)

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

7 July 20,

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Thank you for sending President Reagan the resolution adopted by your organization. Your courtesy in bringing these statements of views to his attention is appreciated, and you may be sure that it has been fully noted.

With best wishes to you and the members of your organization,

Sincerely,

Anne Higgins
Director of Correspondence

/s/ ///

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July 2, 1981

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

For your information, please find enclosed a copy of a resolution adopted by the Southwest Regional Energy Council at its summer meeting last week calling for the repeal of Section 301 of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978.

As the resolution states, the Council is certainly not opposed to greater coal utilization; in fact, the Council has adopted a number of resolutions in support of such a goal. The Council has never believed, however, that mandatory conversion is the best means to achieving that end. Copies of the Council's positions on coal utilization are also included for your information.

The Council was very pleased with the House's decision during its recent action on the budget reconciliation measure to include a repeal of Section 301 as a part of that measure, and it would hope that you would support the inclusion of such a repeal in the final budget reconciliation measure.

Very respectfully yours,

Grant Jones

Chairman

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Enclosures (4)

A RESOLUTION URGING THE REPEAL OF SECTION 301 OF THE POWERPLANT AND INDUSTRIAL FUEL USE ACT OF 1978

- WHEREAS, the Southwest Regional Energy Council has consistently opposed the concept of mandatory conversion to coal, and supported exemptions from the provisions of the Fuel Use Act; and
- WHEREAS, the Southwest Regional Energy Council advocates the increased utilization of coal, but feels that such increased utilization will occur with the greatest efficiency and the least cost as a result of economic considerations in unregulated energy markets, and as institutional impediments to such greater use are resolved; and
- WHEREAS, the premises upon which the Fuel Use Act was based have changed radically as a result of the present administration's return to a principle reliance on market mechanisms, and the domestic petroleum industry's response to the deregulation of crude oil prices and the gradual escalation of natural gas well head prices; and
- WHEREAS, to continue to require a prohibition against the use of natural gas as a boiler fuel in existing powerplants in light of today's prospects for abundant gas supplies would unnecessarily burden consumers in areas which have an historic reliance on such use with unconscionable increases in electric rates;
- NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Southwest Regional Energy Council urges Congress to act with all due haste to repeal Section 301 of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of the resolution be sent to: the President of the United States; the Secretary of Energy; the Secretary of the Interior; the congressional delegations of the Council's five member states; and the congressional delegations of the member states of the Western Conference of the Council of State Governments.

A RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO IMPEDIMENTS TO GREATER COAL PRODUCTIVITY AND USE

- WHEREAS, the President has repeatedly stated that greater coal utilization is a cornerstone of his Administration's national energy policy; and
- WHEREAS, while mandating greater coal use by utilities and industry through the enactment of the Fuel Use Act of 1978, Congress and the President have failed to address reasonably a host of impediments to such greater use embodied in other conflicting policies, statutes, and regulations;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Southwest Regional Energy Council that the "fast track" approach to speeding needed energy projects on line which has been proposed by the President, and is now under consideration by the Congress, while admirable in intent, is wholly inadequate to the task at hand if we are, indeed, to increase our reliance on our most abundant fossil fuel resource. The call for the creation of an Energy Mobilization Board recognizes the problem but ignores the solution which is, as recently stated by John Quarles, the former Deputy Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, a thorough review of the entire regulatory system with a commitment to simplifying the substantive prerequisites to project approval. It is time to put a halt to the practice of unilaterally adopting and enforcing substantive environmental standards and procedural requirements, irrespective of their possible effects on energy policy objectives and the economy, while subjecting any proposed energy development activity to the burden of proving that no harm will be done to the environment as a result of such activity under the full force of such standards and procedures.

The Southwest Regional Energy Council urges the Congress and the Administration to conduct a thorough review of any and all applicable policies, statutes and regulations to ensure that they are consistent, to the maximum extent possible, with the attainment of this nation's stated energy policy goals; and

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such a review, with respect to the goal of greater coal utilization, should, at a minimum, address the following policy issues:
 - (1) The need to institute immediately an aggressive and positive federal leasing program based on the need for coal supplies established in the marketplace rather than on the basis of regional quotas to be mandated by the federal government, especially in those areas in which the mining and utility industries have previously expressed interest. Those companies

holding federal coal leases on which significant exploration and development work has occurred, but who, because of constraints beyond their control, have been unable to begin production from those reserves, should be allowed to extend the leases by ten years beyond the original lease date. Additionally, there is a need to return to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act's mandated concept of multiple use management. If we are to meet the President's goal for increased coal production, vast areas of the country's potentially most energy-productive land must not be withheld or excluded from energy development.

- (2) The need for a return to the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act's specific mandate of giving States primacy to develop, authorize, issue and enforce regulations for surface mining and reclamation activities. The Office of Surface Mining (OSM) has usurped that authority, has assumed authority not provided by statute, has promulgated volumes of overly restrictive regulations, and has delayed and obstructed coal development and productivity. This action is entirely contrary to one of the stated purposes of the Act, which is to assure that the coal supply essential to the nation's energy requirements, and to its economic and social well-being is provided.
- (3) The need for the acceleration of approvals for railroad rights-of-way across federal lands and other lands. There is a need for the Secretary of Interior to comply with the 1899 Act and applicable regulations in granting railroad rights-of-way. There is a need for the Department of Energy, the Interstate Commerce Commission, and the Department of Transportation to direct their mutual efforts toward a uniformity of approach and policy in dealing with coal transportation costs.
- (4) The need for a wholesale review of, and exemptions from, the Clean Air Act. The requirements of the use of the Best Available Control Technology and the processes used in designating air quality classes in attainment areas, and policy of offsets and the requirement of net air quality benefit in non-attainment areas can seriously hinder greater coal utilization. As recently stated by out-going Secretary of Energy, James R. Schlesinger, . . . "coal use will not grow sufficiently rapidly, so long as the mechanics of the Clean Air Act remain unchanged . . . unless we achieve the greater use of coal . . . over the next decade, this society may just not make it."
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the President,
 the Secretary of Energy, the Governor and Legislature of each of the
 five member states, and the congressional delegations of those member
 states and all other coal-producing states.

A RESOLUTION URGING THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONCUR WITH THE SENATE AND PASS S. 1403

- WHEREAS, the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 specifically mandated the Office of Surface Mining (OSM) to recognize that the primary governmental responsibility for developing, authorizing, issuing, and enforcing regulations for surface mining and reclamation lies with each state; and
- WHEREAS, the OSM instead has usurped that authority, has assumed authority not granted by statute, has promulgated volumes of overly restrictive regulations, and has delayed and obstructed coal development and productivity; and
- WHEREAS, the United States Senate has now passed S. 1403 by an overwhelming margin to amend the Act to restrict the authority of the OSM and to greatly enhance the ability of the States to create and enforce their own regulations; and
- WHEREAS, S. 1403 is now before the Interior Committee of the United States House of Representatives; and
- WHEREAS, the Western Conference of the Council of State Governments has recently adopted a resolution urging the U.S. House to support the return to the Act's mandate of state primacy contained in S. 1403;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Southwest Regional Energy Council fully concurs with the action of the Western Conference and urges the U.S. House to restore to the States the authority initially mandated by the Act and to pass S. 1403.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the President, the Secretary of Energy, the Governors and Legislatures of each of the five member states, and the congressional delegations of those member states and all other coal producing states.

BACKGROUND NARRATIVE

Coal is America's most abundant fuel resource, and its peak production years occurred prior to the advent of the petroleum and natural gas industries, during a time when it was also our most widely used source of energy, accounting for more of our total consumption than both oil and gas today.

By 1976, coal provided for only 18.5 percent of our domestic energy needs, and total production amounted to 671.2 million tons.

Since the years of its peak productivity and use, demand for coal had been constrained by the increasing availability of competitive fuels which were cheaper in price and socially and environmentally more acceptable.

In April of 1977, the President announced that one of this nation's primary energy policy goals would be to increase the production of coal by 1985 by about 400 million tons over the 1976 level, allowing coal to provide for about 30 percent of our projected energy needs.

In fact, in 1978, two years into that nine-year period, coal production had dropped by nearly 11 million tons, and coal provided only 18.4 percent of the energy we consumed.

While pricing policies for competitive fuels have helped to hold down the demand for coal until very recently, at present there are a host of other, institutional impediments to the achievement of the President's goal which are imbedded in a plethora of conflicting policies, statutes and regulations affecting virtually every aspect of coal production and use.

The Federal Government is the largest single holder of coal reserves in the nation, and yet, since 1971 there has been a moratorium on the leasing of coal on federal lands. The Department of Interior has recently announced a schedule for the resumption of such leasing, but it is to be done in a singularly unaggressive manner in that it will fail to take into account established demand for additional supplies. In a great number of instances, the resumption of leasing is to be contingent upon the favorable and unchallenged completion of an environmental impact statement which, when coupled with time constraints imposed by the mining permitting process, will likely preclude any production from those lands from significantly contributing to the President's 1985 production goal.

Additionally, there is the prospect that federal lands with considerable coal and other energy resources potential, which might be leased or on which leases are already held, may be summarily foreclosed from development as a result of designation as a wilderness area. The Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 mandated that public lands be managed in such a manner as to assure that the benefits of multiple use might be achieved. Denying access to extensive

energy resources at a time when potential energy shortages are said to represent a clear and present danger to the American economy would not be multiple use management and cannot be beneficial.

There is an urgent need for a thorough review of federal leasing and land management policies which have resulted in the leasing of less than one percent of all available federal lands if we are to put in place a responsible, accelerated coal production policy.

A flagrant example of the barriers that exist for increased coal development and productivity is the newly established federal Office of Surface Mining (OSM). The Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act which created the OSM specifically mandated that recognition be given to the primacy of the states for issuing and enforcing regulations for surface mining and reclamation activities, yet OSM has chosen, instead, to assume authorities not granted by the Act and to promulgate burdensome, overly restrictive regulations which were clearly not intended by the Act. Even the Congressional Research Service has reached this conclusion, observing that:

"Many of the regulations contained in the (OSM) enforcement program are inconsistent with the spirit of the Surface Mining Act and some appear to be inconsistent with the actual language. The sheer magnitude and intricacies of the requirements of these regulations could very easily become a hardship to small and intermediate-sized coal operators with consequent effects on their competitiveness in the coal market."

One coal company operating in the Southwest has estimated that OSM regulation will add an average of \$2.35 to every ton of coal produced, and that estimate doesn't even include all of the provisions which must be met. Not the least of the problems created by the OSM's obstructive actions is that the interminable delays and confusion in the permitting process hinder the producer's ability to effect a supply contract with potential buyers because production and delivery dates cannot be assured.

In addition to the obstacles to greater coal development and production created by federal leasing and land management policies, another policy area which also has an effect on coal supply is that of transportation. The kinds of delays and frustrations encountered in seeking to obtain rights-of-way for coal transportation, especially across federal lands and Indian lands, are very similar to those previously discussed. A case in point is the Star Lake Railroad. This line was first proposed by the Santa Fe Railway in 1974 in order to connect the coal rich San Juan Basin with the railway's main line so that coal produced from this area could be transported to the ultimate utility consumers. Approximately 440 million tons of coal are already under lease in this area, and yet the seeming inability to obtain right-of-way for 3.22 miles of the proposed 116 mile line

could hold up production and transportation of this much-needed coal indefinitely. The Secretary of Interior, while approving the issuance of right-of-way across public lands, has so far refused to exercise his discretionary authority under the so-called 1899 Act to grant rights-of-way across tribal trust lands which has resulted in an indefinite delay in gaining approval for this crucial 3.22 miles. Such delays, when viewed in the context of the President's stated policy with respect to coal production and use, are unthinkable.

Additionally, transportation issues can constrain demand as well as supply. The Administration has seemed to be working at cross purposes with respect to coal shipping rates, with the Department of Energy supporting lower rates to encourage increased use, and the Department of Transportation and the Interstate Commerce Commission supporting higher rates. It is important that we maintain an economically viable rail transport system in order to serve the growing need for coal in markets located away from production areas, but at the same time the cost of transportation must not provide a disincentive for expanded use. A balance must be found, and the Administration should come forward with a consistent, unified policy.

In the April 1977 document, "The National Energy Plan," the Administration pointed out that full utilization of America's coal resources has been hindered principally by constraints on demand, rather than by lack of supply. One of the major constraints on demand at the present time is the effect of overly stringent interpretations of the Clean Air Act and other environmental statutes and regulations on coal burning-facilities. According to the National Energy Plan (NEP): "Attainment and maintenance of the environmental goals set out in the Clean Air Act, the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, and the National Environmental Policy Act are high national priorities. The Administration intends to achieve its energy goals without endangering the public health or degrading the environment."

While protection of the environment and the public welfare are essential, the effort to provide such protection must not foreclose our ability to meet critical energy policy objectives. The NEP points to the need for a consistent and certain environmental policy in order to encourage investment in new energy facilities, but it also points out that ". . . (s) ome uncertainty will continue over the environmental impacts of an increasing number of coal-burning plants. . . ."

That uncertainty must be resolved, and our energy and environmental policy goals must be reconciled or there will be no such investment in new energy facilities.

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE GREATER PRODUCTION AND USE OF COAL

- WHEREAS, the President has consistently advocated a policy of coal production and use; and
- WHEREAS, his Administration has been inconsistent in pursuing that policy as evidenced by a multitude of overly restrictive regulations and conflicting policies which work against the attainment of his stated production and use goals;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Southwest Regional Energy Council that the President should direct all federal departments and agencies, within the limits of their discretionary authority, to work in concert toward the attainment of those goals as set forth in his National Energy Plan; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President should support legislation in the Congress which is consistent with the attainment of those goals; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution, and other pertinent resolutions adopted by this Council, be sent to the President, the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of the Interior, the Director of the Office of Surface Mining, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, and to the Governors, Legislatures and Congressional Delegations of the Council's member states.

BACKGROUND NARRATIVE

- In April of 1977, the President addressed the nation to announce his national energy plan. One of the fundamental principles of that plan was a dramatic shift from the use of oil and gas to the use of coal and other domestic energy sources.
- The President pointed out that coal comprises 90 percent of our domestic fossil fuel reserves, yet we rely on coal for only 18 percent of our energy needs.
- He set the specific goal of increasing coal production by two-thirds, by 1985, to more than one billion tons per year.
- We are now one-third of the way to 1985, but we are only one-fifth of of the way toward that goal, and in order to achieve it now, our annual rate of increase in production would have to be nearly 60 percent greater than it has been since that goal was first established.
- One of the greatest obstacles to the federal government's policy of increased production and use of coal has been the federal government itself, its conflicting policies and overly restrictive regulations.
- At a recent American Enterprise Institute seminar, Richard Gordon, professor
 of mineral economics at Penn State, accused the President's coal program of
 being "inconsistent and uncertain," and called government claims about increased coal use "empty rhetoric" because of an unwillingness to address
 forthrightly environmental, miner health, and other concerns.
- If the President is, in fact, committed to his stated policy regarding coal production and use, then he should communicate that commitment to each of the departments and agencies within the Executive Branch whose decisions and rulemakings have an impact on our ability to achieve that policy's goals, and he should support legislation in Congress consistent with those goals.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 11, 1981

Dear Mr. Scarbrough:

We have received your petitions protesting reducing Federal spending.

Making reductions of the number and size that are proposed in the revised budget was not easy. It was unavoidable that some individuals and groups would be hurt by them. Recognizing this, the President insisted that the reductions be based upon criteria of fairness and equity and that they not affect any one group disproportionately. In the same way, he insisted that the benefits of the tax reductions he has proposed be shared widely.

Thank you, again, for your views and for your understanding.

Very sincerely

Robert F. Bonitati Special Assistant to

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July 27th, 1981

The President of the United States The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Enclosed herewith please find a package of petitions signed by the members of various local unions throughout the country.

I believe the point we are trying to get across is self-explanatory.

As more of these petitions are received, they will be forwarded to you.

With best wishes, I remain

CARL SCARBROUGH

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 26, 1981

Dear Ray:

This letter responds to yours concerning amendments to the Tax Reform Act of 1976. As you know, the sharing of information by the IRS with law enforcement authorities is a very sensitive matter that is under close scrutiny by this Administration. I have forwarded your letter on this topic to the Attorney General's Task Force and to my Deputy, Herb Ellingwood, for their consideration.

I appreciate you taking the time, on behalf of your organization, to present us with your views on this topic and hope that you will be satisfied with the position of the Administration on it. Please do not hesitate to forward additional information concerning this matter in the future.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Fred F. Fielding
Counsel to the President

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IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT CARL R. AJELLO Attorney General of Connecticut

Dear Fred:

I am writing to bring to your attention the enclosed resolution regarding amendments to the Tax Reform Act of 1976 adopted by the Association at our recent annual meeting. In our opinion, that Act included cumbersome disclosure provisions that have virtually stopped the flow of information from the IRS to law enforcement authorities about non-tax criminal violations. We support Senate amendment 492 to House Joint Resolution 266, that would ease the requirements for disclosure of information by the IRS to law enforcement authorities in cases of criminal investigations involving non-tax offenses and would ease the disclosure provisions for information that came to the IRS through a third party. This would assist legitimate law enforcement investigations while at the same time continuing to afford the protection necessary to individual tax records.

It has long been recognized that financial investigations are one of the most effective tools in unveiling secret criminal behavior. Indeed, it was the ability of the IRS to conduct sophisticated financial investigations that sent criminals such as Al Capone to jail on income tax evasion charges when other agencies were unable to gather enough evidence of non-tax crimes to have them indicted, much less convicted.

Recently, however, prosecutors and others involved in law enforcement have found that they have been hindered in undertaking financial investigations by a reluctance on the part of the IRS to provide any information which would assist in the prosecution of those who participate in criminal activity. Part of the reason is the Tax Reform Act of 1976.

Until that Act was enacted, tax records were considered to be public records, and access to them was governed by Presidential Executive Order. Many federal agencies, including the White House, had easy access to tax returns for a wide variety of uses. During the Watergate investigation, however, it was revealed that the Nixon White House had used tax returns to pressure potential campaign contributors and certain other individuals. In fact, Congress discovered that tax returns and tax information were made available to a number of federal agencies for many questionable purposes. While everyone would agree that such disclosures represented an abuse of taxpayer privacy, the cure has been far too sweeping.

The amendment to House Joint Resolution 266 will not eliminate the privacy safeguards that were written into the Tax Reform Act. Instead, it will enact provisions that will allow law enforcement agencies to gain access to information about non-tax criminal violations when they can demonstrate that they have information that establishes reasonable cause to believe that a specific criminal act has been committed. Thus, essentially the same standards would have to be met as must be met in order for authorities to wiretap telephones or put listening devices in homes or offices. In our opinion, if these requirements are sufficient to protect the privacy of our personal conversations, they are also sufficient to protect our tax information.

In order to effectively combat crime in this country, we must use every tool available. A considerable amount of information comes to the IRS that is not available through any other source. Although we do not advocate the wholesale disclosure of such information, we do believe the assistance that the IRS could provide would be valuable and should not be completely prohibited. Therefore, this Association urges your support for Senate amendment 492. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely and respectfully,

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RESOLUTION

INCOME TAX DISCLOSURE AMENDMENTS

WHEREAS, the Tax Reform Act of 1976 included cumbersome disclosure provisions that have virtually stopped the flow of information from the IRS to law enforcement authorities about non-tax criminal violations; and

WHEREAS, legislation has been introduced, S. 732, that would ease the requirements for disclosure of information by the IRS to law enforcement authorities in cases of criminal investigations involving non-tax offenses and would ease the disclosure provisions for information that came to the IRS through a third party;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the National Association of Attorneys General supports S. 732 and similar legislation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Counsel of the Association is empowered to make these views known to the Congress, the Administration, and other appropriate individuals.