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President
of the United States of America
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
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USA

Bonn, den Feb. 27, 1992

Dear Mr. President,

with this letter we are following up our courier of February 10, 1992. Regrettably, we have not yet received any reply. Your recent statements about "a very important domestic operation" hint that local and national problems may keep you from attending the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) in June this year in Rio de Janeiro.

Despite domestic issues, we - the undersigned organizations, representing 99 member organizations with 2.6 million individual members - think the United States should help in the present international developments where the future of the planet and of mankind is at stake! Up to now in the preparatory negotiations on UNCED, the United States has failed to exercise its often declared general leadership.

Although the U.S. has held several positive positions during the PrepCom process, its position overall has been to avoid commitment to policies that will advance the goals of the Earth Summit and to avoid leadership on critical environmental issues according to the Consortium for Action to Protect the Earth (CAPE '92).

"The book has not yet been closed on preparations for Rio - the centerpiece of the Earth Summit, an effective climate treaty,

remains to be negotiated. Come May, the United States will have to provide legally binding commitments to limit carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases if Rio is to produce any meaningful results."

During the preparatory process towards UNCED, the United States delegation has rather limited progress on the following policies:

- it has sought to remove the entire chapter addressing the impact of consumption on the environment and to delete or weaken references to consumption throughout the negotiations;
- it has assisted in substantially weakening recommendations on promoting greater energy efficiency and renewables as well as on incorporating full cost pricing on energy use - despite the fact that at the London G-7 Summit, the United States agreed to seek to 'price energy from all sources so as to reflect costs fully, including environmental costs'. The U.S. also strongly opposed environmental impact assessments of policy measures relating to energy despite the fact that it was supporting such assessments in other parts of Agenda 21, for UN institutions, and in the proposed Earth Charter.
- it has weakened language to remove price distortions and to develop full cost environmental accounting and global corporate environmental management;
- it has opposed proposals by other nations to adopt a ban on the transboundary traffic of hazardous and radioactive wastes. Such ban has been adopted between European and developing nations.

In addition to your consideration not to attend the Rio Conference, all these points will contribute to a shrinking respect of the United States abroad - and will bring your country to isolation from the international community which is getting ready to undergo the necessary changes to care for the Earth.

Preparations for the Earth Summit are nearing an end. The planning process for a climate change treaty and other critical issues of the Earth Summit will continue at the next and final round of negotiations for the first (mentioned) in New York from April 30 to May 8.

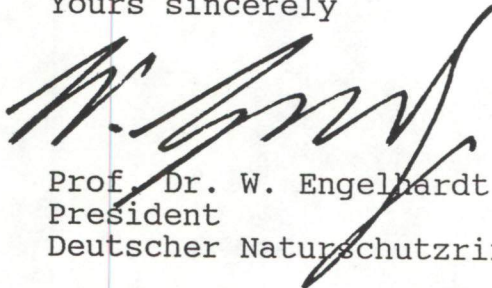
Dear Mr. President, now is one of the last opportunities to reconsider your position on the United Nations Conference.

We encourage you to be consistent to the United States' role in environmental leadership, a role you have claimed so many times. Strong commitments are needed for our common future ; the world is watching the United States and its President - in particular for this biggest and most important conference of the UN.

Therefore, we urgently ask you not to disappoint these expectations which in many countries of the world, but certainly in your own as well are linked especially to your person.

Looking forward to a more positive echo
we remain

Yours sincerely



Prof. Dr. W. Engelhardt
President
Deutscher Naturschutzring

(German League for the
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and Nature Conservation)



Hubert Weinzierl
Chairman
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Naturschutz Deutschland
(German Association for
the Protection of Nature
and the Environment)

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 28, 1992

Dear Mr. Weinzierl and Professor Engelbart:

Thank you for your letter to President Bush about global environmental issues, particularly regarding the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED). The President appreciates your comments and suggestions.

The United States has been, and will continue to be, a leader in environmental stewardship. President Bush believes that global stewardship is our shared responsibility and our shared opportunity. He is committed to working with the international community to produce strategies for managing the Earth's natural resources in ways that assure the sustainability of humanity on this planet and in ways that maximize our potential for growth and opportunity for all. It is the President's conviction that environmental protection and economic growth, well managed, complement one another.

Global stewardship is a continuing process of political, economic, and social decision-making that meets the needs of the present generation, while expanding the opportunities of future generations. UNCED provides an unprecedented opportunity for addressing a broad range of such concerns that are of vital interest to developed nations and the developing nations alike. In keeping with his commitment to fostering greater cooperation in approaching the environmental problems, the President has announced that he will attend the Rio Conference.

President Bush recognizes the widespread interest in addressing the issue of global climate change. In that regard, the President is pleased with the successful negotiation of a framework convention on climate change. Enclosed is a statement about the role that the United States has played in safeguarding our environment and about issues relating to UNCED.

I hope that this information is helpful to you. It comes to you with the President's best wishes.

Sincerely yours,



D. Allan Bromley
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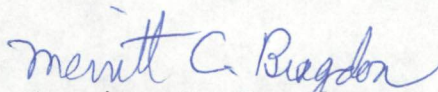
President George Bush
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. Bush:

I strongly urge you to attend the Earth Summit this coming June in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. This UN Conference on Environment and Development offers an extraordinary chance to redirect resources away from military allocations and toward environmental protection and sustainable economic development. It also offers you an opportunity, in an election year, to deliver on your promise to be an "Environmental President."

In particular, I hope that you will endeavor at the Summit to obtain general agreement on conventions to reduce carbon dioxide emissions, to cut air and water pollution, and to protect the world's forests. Such agreements must contain specific timetables in order to be effective.

Sincerely,


Merritt C. Bragdon

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Dear President Bush:

I am very concerned about the upcoming UNCED meeting (United Nations Conference on Environment and Development) in June^{in Brazil}. This is such an outstanding opportunity to set world wide goals for improving and safeguarding the environment, and, alleviating poverty.

However, for some reason ?? your / our delegation has been very disinclined to make any agreements - for example, we have so far not agreed to any control of our CO₂ emissions.

We also need to push for strong legal controls to implement the agreements.

In addition, I hope you

Will push for reform of our
foreign aid - We need to increase
development aid (to at least 50%)
and decrease military aid, ^{of} (foreign aid)

And how about committing now
to attending this conference? It
promises to be a larger gathering
of world leaders than even
the World Summit for Children in
1990.

Let's take a leadership role
not a foot dragging role - and
be a model for other countries.

Sincerely,
Carolyn J. Dennis

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FROM: Arthur Goldstein

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Memo from

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Arthur Goldstein

2/24/92

Dear Pres. Bush -

I hope you have time to read these Environmental articles. I have underlined them to save you time.

I agree with them 110%.

The reasons for the recession were all exacerbated by the Environmental dilemmas and slowdowns.

Please join us and become an Environmentalist for your grandchildren's sake.

Best
Arthur Goldstein

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Lead Us to Rio, Mr. President

2/22/92 NYJ

By Michael Oppenheimer

Global warming negotiations at the United Nations remain stalled as the U.S. delegation and the world await a White House shift in policy. Next week's session provides President Bush with one last chance to become a global environmental leader instead of a spoiler.

The Administration's recent decision to support measures that will speed up the elimination of chlorofluorocarbons, the main ozone-depleting chemicals, was welcome and necessary but it doesn't redeem Mr. Bush's 1988 campaign promise to be an environmental President. The decision to protect the earth's thinning ozone layer came only after a year filled with increasingly dire scientific reports. Furthermore, the Du Pont Company, the largest American producer of chlorofluorocarbons, had al-

It's Bush's last chance to be an environmentalist.

ready committed to most of the new requirements in October.

Our Government has generally underestimated the risk posed by chlorofluorocarbons. It has treated scientists like a flock of Chicken Littles since they warned of this threat 18 years ago. Meanwhile, measured ozone depletion now exceeds any previous prediction and will at least double before the elimination of chlorofluorocarbon emissions reverses its course.

The current U.N. negotiations are aimed at limiting the buildup of greenhouse gases, primarily carbon dioxide emitted during fossil fuel combustion, that are expected to cause significant global warming. Almost all the major industrialized nations have agreed to a modest first step: restricting emissions of carbon dioxide by year 2000 to levels no higher than those in 1990. The U.S. has offered nothing.

Michael Oppenheimer is senior scientist at the Environmental Defense Fund.

Other nations seem to understand that the warming effect of carbon dioxide, like the ozone-depleting effect of chlorofluorocarbons, cannot be reversed for decades. These countries have learned not to use the need for continued research as an excuse for delay. In contrast, the Bush Administration uses scientific uncertainty like a talisman to ward off critics of its inaction. It seems intent on repeating the misjudgments that led to wholesale ozone depletion.

The President's advisers hold a myopic economic view, focusing on exaggerated cost estimates for reducing emissions. Instead, they should consider the economic opportunities that will arise in an increasingly energy-efficient, environment-conscious world. The climate agreement will exert more influence over technology and trade than a dozen Presidential trips to Japan. Our competitors are preparing to take advantage of these possibilities while the U.S. only dithers.

Consider the future of the automobile. Motor vehicles are responsible for about a quarter of carbon dioxide emissions from the U.S. There are about two people for each car in America but more than 500 people for each car in China. An explosive growth in emissions would occur if China and other developing countries become as dependent on gas-guzzling cars as we are.

Obviously, global efforts to protect the climate will create the need for more efficient vehicles. Manufacturers already have prototypes getting 100 miles per gallon and emitting one quarter as much carbon dioxide as a typical new car. Carrying out a global warming treaty would create markets for such cars, and provide an incentive for other U.S. companies to create the energy-efficient products the world will demand.

Is the U.S. prepared to compete in these new markets? Not if it remains a backwater of energy inefficiency among industrialized nations.

Negotiators are rushing to draft a climate treaty before the so-called earth summit in Rio de Janeiro in June. If the American delegation would promote an ironclad timetable for reducing emissions of carbon dioxide and other warming gases now, a strong treaty that cleans up the atmosphere and stimulates new jobs and industries is likely. A weak treaty, or no agreement, could lead to environmental havoc. That could be inevitable if the President doesn't act next week. □

Houston Post 1/26/92

Campaigning for the environment and the future

EARTH IN THE BALANCE: Ecology and the Human Spirit

Houghton Mifflin. 407 pp. \$22.95.

By STEPHANIE GLASS
OF THE HOUSTON POST STAFF

MOST REMEMBER Al Gore, Democratic senator from Tennessee, from his days as a contender for the 1988 Democratic presidential nomination. I remember him stumping in the Rio Grande Valley, getting up with the sun to jog around Rio Grande City surrounded by Secret Service men both on foot and on wheels.

This year Gore may have passed up the race, but he's stumping for something else: the future of the environment.

Instead of rushing from tarmac to tarmac, he's touring the country's book stores to bring the message of environmental devastation on a global scale and what he thinks should be done about it.

It was probably much easier to analyze America's problems and suggest solutions. When it comes to the environment, oh, if it only meant cleaning up the United States. What Gore is trying to tell us in *Earth in the Balance: Ecology and the Human Spirit* is this: It's everybody's problem and everyone must work toward a solution. Either we fix it together or we all lose.

Gore's book is full of frightening scenarios that should be required reading. It's easy to cover our lawns with chemicals and not think about where the runoff will go after a rain. Or watch developers clear land for another subdivision without thinking what species may have been displaced. It is *not* easy to read a book like this; one is filled with a sense of anxiety, dread, futility, of powerlessness over the problems displayed on such a grand scale.

In chilling detail, Gore dishes up the world's environmental problems, going back thousands of years to trace patterns of destruction. For those who turn a deaf ear to the prospect of global warming, there is ample evidence of suffering from past climate changes.

In the spring of 1815, a large series of volcanic eruptions shook Indonesia. Almost 100,000 people were killed from the eruptions and subsequent starvation and disease. A year later the effects were felt in Europe when crops failed, crime swelled, beggars clogged roads and governments fell to revolution. In New England, it snowed in the summer.

We may think we can forget about the rest of the world when it comes to putting food on our table. But Gore's background as a farmer in Carthage, Tenn., aids him in conveying how inextricably linked our capacity to produce crops is with the condition of the rest of the world.

The global food supply is threatened by effects of our lifestyle; the destruction of the ozone layer is letting out too many damaging ultraviolet rays, global warming leading to higher rainfall and a rising sea level will cause blights and pest to move northward. The list goes on.

Gore does not leave us to squirm mercilessly with no relief. He has, like any good politician, a plan. He calls it a global Marshall Plan, after the original Marshall Plan that saw the United States and Britain invest in the rebuilding of Europe after World War II.

He envisions annual environmental summit meetings, where wealthy and poor nations get together to decide what they can do to stop the damage. He sees Brazil offering to stop the leveling of the rain forests while more developed countries reduce their greenhouse emissions.

Quickly dismissing the idea of a world government, Gore turns to the United Nations as a last resort. He envisions the possibility of a stewardship council similar to the security council we hear from so much these days. He sees rich countries volunteering to pay for pollution control equipment for poor countries, only this time it wouldn't be the United States doling out the cash. He volunteers Japan, Europe and the oil-producing states.

He outlines five strategic goals for this international effort: stabilize the world's population; develop environmentally appropriate technologies; create a new economic system that takes into account ecological consequences; establish a set of agreements, regulations and enforcement actions that everyone would adhere to; and educate the masses about the global environment.

It is hard to imagine such cooperation, especially when there are more than 100 wars around the globe and more conflicts simmering. And it may seem strange to get this environmental warning from a member of the United States Senate — especially one not actively campaigning. But forget about the messenger and just worry about the message. It is not to be taken lightly.

Glass writes about environmental issues for The Post.



From "Earth in the Balance"

Sen. Al Gore of Tennessee has developed what he calls a global Marshall Plan for the environment.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 31, 1992

Dear Mrs. Seggerman:

On behalf of President Bush, thank you for your comments and suggestions about global environmental issues.

The United States, under President Bush's leadership, is aggressively pursuing international efforts to address problems related to climate change, ozone depletion, forests, oceans, biological diversity, and technology cooperation with developing countries. The Administration has put forward specific proposals in various international fora to address each of these questions. More important, the United States is already taking specific steps here at home, through both legislation and administrative action, to begin tackling these problems.

Specifically regarding climate change, you may be pleased to know that the United States has already begun taking actions that will have the effect of reducing net emissions of greenhouse gases. These include:

- * President Bush proposed and signed into law the 1990 Clean Air Act, which will reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the utility sector through restrictions on utility air pollutants;
- * The Bush Administration has proposed, both through the National Energy Strategy and through various regulatory measures, to improve energy efficiency in power generation and transmission, buildings, appliances, lighting, and transportation, which will restrain related carbon dioxide emissions;
- * The President has proposed, through his tree planting initiatives, to increase the acreage and to improve the management of forests, which act as greenhouse gas "sinks";
- * The President has proposed to expand the use of renewable and low-emission fuel sources;
- * Since President Bush took office, he has doubled funding for conservation research and development (R&D) and increased funding for renewable R&D by 69 percent; and

- * The Administration has not only proposed, but the President has signed into law, the phaseout of ozone-depleting compounds that are also greenhouse gases.

Additionally, in February 1992, in response to new scientific evidence, President Bush was the first head of state to commit his country unilaterally to accelerating the date for the complete phaseout of the production of chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs). The President's action moves up the phaseout date of CFCs, which deplete the Earth's ozone layer, to December 31, 1995. Due to a number of previous Administration actions, U.S. production of ozone-depleting substances is already more than 40 percent below levels allowed by the internationally agreed Montreal Protocol. Under the new schedule, the U.S. will eliminate production four years ahead of the current international deadline, thus continuing the record of U.S. leadership in this area extending back to the mid-1970s.

The United States supports a comprehensive approach, addressing all greenhouse gases, not just carbon dioxide, and "sinks," such as forests. Focusing exclusively on carbon dioxide emissions, as some have proposed, is an inadequate response.

The United States has committed \$25 million to assist developing countries in planning to mitigate and/or adapt to climate change. The U.S. has stepped up its own climate action plan, first outlined in February 1991, including actions in such areas as energy efficiency, transportation, reduced emission supply technologies, agriculture, natural resources, and technology R&D. The United States has also committed \$50 million to the core fund of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and \$150 million in parallel financing through the U.S. Agency for International Development. In addition to addressing global climate change, the GEF also funds projects concerning biodiversity, international waters, and ozone.

The U.S. Global Change Research Program is the world's largest such program and thus provides much of the scientific foundation for international agreements on climate change and ozone depletion. The Bush Administration has invested \$2.6 billion in global change research, far more than any other country, with an additional \$1.3 billion proposed for year 1993 -- over six times the fiscal 1989 level. Research on the scientific and economic aspects of global climate change will enable policy makers to make better judgments about potential impacts and policy actions.

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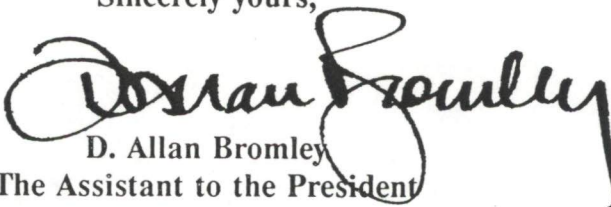
Regarding the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), scheduled this June in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, President Bush is committed to achieving international agreement on a framework convention on climate change. In addition to a global agreement on climate change, the Bush Administration also hopes UNCED will produce strategies and specific initiatives to improve conservation of forests, oceans, and biological diversity, and to increase technology cooperation with developing countries. You can be sure that the United States will be well represented at the conference.

As we move forward into the 1990s, the United States will continue to address global environmental challenges within a context of expanding economic opportunities for all the world's people. The United States wants concrete, practical results from UNCED -- results that will guide future action on the full range of environmental and developmental issues.

Thank you for taking the time to express your interest on these environmental issues with President Bush. You can be sure that the President will continue working with other nations to obtain global solutions to these challenging issues.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely yours,


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for
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TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

FROM: MRS. ANNE SEGGERMAN
THE FOURTH WORLD FOUNDATION, INC.
5060 CONGRESS STREET
FAIRFIELD CT 06430

SUBJECT: URGES THE U.S. TO BE IN THE FOREFRONT OF
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Patty Presock

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Phil:

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P.

TO → Lillian
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date: 3/3/92

FOR: SHIRLEY GREEN

FROM: PHILLIP BRADY
Assistant to the President
and Staff Secretary

- ☐ Information
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- ☐ Let's Discuss

Jan - friend? says
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Jan

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The Fourth World Foundation, Inc.

5060 Congress Street, Fairfield, Conn. 06430, Phone 203 255-4459
February 26, 1992

Dear Mr. President,

As we have had the opportunity in the past to correspond on domestic policy, I hope to call your attention to another pressing issue which was raised last Saturday in the New York Times by Michael Oppenheimer: The Environment.

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While many scholars applaud your action to hasten the elimination of carbon dioxide and fluorocarbon emissions which are hazardous to the ozone layer, it is apparent that there exists an even greater opportunity. This opportunity is the creation of a crash program for the research and development of alternative energy sources. This program would place the United States at the forefront of the resource movement. Here we can create a vision utilizing our advantage of elite science and technology experts, to lead the way in developing natural more environmentally friendly energy sources. This domestic program would also provide a unique opportunity to employ Soviet nuclear intellectuals in projects that would benefit all of man kind.

As the goal of reversing 'global warming' gains momentum, legislation for reductions in the production of both carbon dioxide and fluorocarbons should be enacted. While some theories state that 'global warming' may be partially caused by sun spots and other environmental effects, this has yet to be proven. Therefore at this time it is imperative that the United States take a leadership position in 'cooling' down the atmosphere.

Given that the world is organizing these standards, many of which will be presented at the earth summit in Rio de Janeiro this June, your position to phase out fluorocarbons ahead of schedule should be followed to its fullest vision by reallocating our resources and researching and creating alternatives energy models, such as solar, wind and geothermal energy.

In order to create and thrive in an atmosphere free from fluorocarbons and carbon dioxide, the United States should be at the forefront of scientific innovation developing such alternatives and presenting them to the world. Such bold initiative would reduce our dependence on outside nations for

oil and other fossil fuels and give the United States a corner on the world market for such products. The climate agreement and other such programs would effectively create a new industry and give the United States an international economic comparative advantage by reducing the cost of doing business. Both of these benefits would provide great long term benefits to the economy.

In summary at this critical junction in time the United States has the opportunity to improved the environment while creating long term structural benefits to the domestic economy. The global warming negotiations taking place at the United Nations could be a prominent opportunity to present these ideas.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my views.

Respectfully with warm personal regards,

Anne Seggerman

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UPCOMING VISIT TO ST. MARTIN -- BARBARA JOINS
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FROM: Steve Spriggs

TO: President Bush

DATE OF
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SUBJECT: He is urging the President to attend the Earth
Summit (UNCED) in Rio de Janeiro

DIRECTORATE STAFF
ASSIGNED: ASSIGNED: Nancy Maynard

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February 26, 1992

President George Bush
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

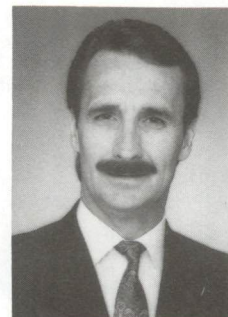
The Earth Charter is an idea that deserves your support. I support the Earth Charter. As a grandfather you should also.

Sincerely yours,

Steve Spriggs

Please Call..... **STEVE SPRIGGS**

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TO: President Bush

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P.O. Box 7259
Corona-Elmhurst, N.Y. 11373
February 24, 1992

President George Bush
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Bush:

~~This coming June of 1992, heads of state, government ministers, and non-government officials will meet in Brazil for a United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED). The aim: to find ways to reconcile economic activities with the need to protect the earth and ensure a sustainable future.~~

For developing nations, the challenge is to break the vicious circle of dependence on Western technology and indebtedness. For industrialized nations, the task is to reorient patterns of economic activity, to curb their outsize consumption of the planet's natural resources and the enormous contamination that results.

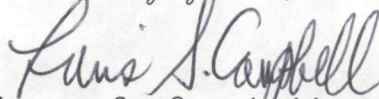
The Sienna Club has joined the Consortium for Action to Protect the Earth (CAPE '92), an environmental coalition to coordinate efforts on UNCED.

I respectfully urge you, Mr. President, to undertake a conservation-oriented energy policy that will curb carbon dioxide emissions by 20 percent from 1988 levels by the year 2000, to seek preservation of primary forests as the main goal of a global forest agreement--and as a demonstration of United States commitment, demand an immediate halt to logging of primary and ancient forests in the United States, especially since, as you know, trees absorb carbon dioxide.

I also urge expansion of existing international treaties, such as the law of the Sea Convention, to reverse the decline of marine ecosystems and to focus on land-based sources of ocean pollution, and work for a strengthened United Nations for setting environmental standards, monitoring, and assisting nations' compliance.

Mr. President, our great and universally respected nation has always been a leader among nations in "doing the right thing." I sincerely and whole-heartedly believe that it is our country's obligation to take and maintain a leadership role in curbing global warming and the destruction of tropical forests, in order to avoid the otherwise certain destruction of the earth and all its inhabitants.

Sincerely yours,



Louis S. Campbell
Member, Sienna Club

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FROM: Sara Ebenreck, PhD

TO: President Bush

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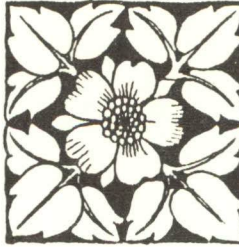
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SARA EBENRECK

3451 Sixes Road
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February 25, 1992

President George Bush
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington DC

Dear President Bush:

This letter is to add my voice to many others urging that you personally go to the June 1992 UN Conference on Environment and Development in Brazil.

Global environmental and justice issues, ranging from depletion of the ozone layer to trade agreements, are at the heart of issues that we need to face as a nation. Your appearance at that conference gives a highly important symbolic support to the working of crafting agreements that can help us assure planet Earth remains sustainable for just human habitation for the next century.

Sincerely,

Sara Ebenreck, PhD

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SUBJECT: HE IS WRITING TO URGE THE PRESIDENT TO ATTEND THE
EARTH SUMMIT (UNCED) IN RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

DIRECTORATE STAFF
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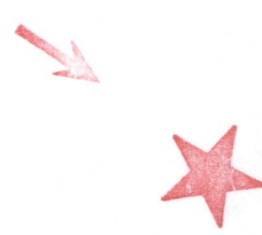
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 2, 1992

Dear Mr. Gebert:

On behalf of President Bush, thank you for your comments and suggestions about global environmental issues and the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED). The President appreciates your concerns and has asked that I respond to your letter of February 25, 1992 regarding these issues.

The United States, under President Bush's leadership, is aggressively pursuing international efforts to address problems related to climate change, ozone depletion, forests, oceans, biological diversity, and technology cooperation with developing countries. The Administration has put forward specific proposals in various international fora to address each of these questions. More important, the United States is already taking specific steps here at home, through both legislation and administrative action, to begin tackling these problems.

Specifically regarding climate change, you may be pleased to know that the United States has already begun taking actions that will have the effect of reducing net emissions of greenhouse gases. These include:

- * President Bush proposed and signed into law the 1990 Clean Air Act, which will reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the utility sector through restrictions on utility air pollutants;
- * The Bush Administration has proposed, both through the National Energy Strategy and through various regulatory measures, to improve energy efficiency in power generation and transmission, buildings, appliances, lighting, and transportation, which will restrain related carbon dioxide emissions;
- * The President has proposed, through his tree planting initiatives, to increase the acreage and to improve the management of forests, which act as greenhouse gas "sinks";
- * The President has proposed to expand the use of renewable and low-emission fuel sources;

- * Since President Bush took office, he has doubled funding for conservation research and development (R&D) and increased funding for renewable R&D by 69 percent; and
- * The Administration has not only proposed, but the President has signed into law, the phaseout of ozone-depleting compounds that are also greenhouse gases.

Additionally, in February 1992, in response to new scientific evidence, President Bush was the first head of state to commit his country unilaterally to accelerating the date for the complete phaseout of the production of chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs). The President's action moves up the phaseout date of CFCs, which deplete the Earth's ozone layer, to December 31, 1995. Due to a number of previous Administration actions, U.S. production of ozone-depleting substances is already more than 40 percent below levels allowed by the internationally agreed Montreal Protocol. Under the new schedule, the U.S. will eliminate production four years ahead of the current international deadline, thus continuing the record of U.S. leadership in this area extending back to the mid-1970s.

The United States supports a comprehensive approach, addressing all greenhouse gases, not just carbon dioxide, and "sinks," such as forests. Focusing exclusively on carbon dioxide emissions, as some have proposed, is an inadequate response.

The United States has committed \$25 million to assist developing countries in planning to mitigate and/or adapt to climate change. The U.S. has stepped up its own climate action plan, first outlined in February 1991, including actions in such areas as energy efficiency, transportation, reduced emission supply technologies, agriculture, natural resources, and technology R&D. The United States has also committed \$50 million to the core fund of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and \$150 million in parallel financing through the U.S. Agency for International Development. In addition to addressing global climate change, the GEF also funds projects concerning biodiversity, international waters, and ozone.

The U.S. Global Change Research Program is the world's largest such program and thus provides much of the scientific foundation for international agreements on climate change and ozone depletion. The Bush Administration has invested \$2.6 billion in global change research, far more than any other country, with an additional \$1.3 billion proposed for year 1993 -- over six times the fiscal 1989 level. Research on the scientific and economic aspects

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of global climate change will enable policy makers to make better judgments about potential impacts and policy actions.

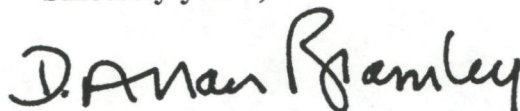
Regarding the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), scheduled this June in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, President Bush is committed to achieving international agreement on a framework convention on climate change. In addition to a global agreement on climate change, the Bush Administration also hopes UNCED will produce strategies and specific initiatives to improve conservation of forests, oceans, and biological diversity, and to increase technology cooperation with developing countries. You can be sure that the United States will be well represented at the conference.

As we move forward into the 1990s, the United States will continue to address global environmental challenges within a context of expanding economic opportunities for all the world's people. The United States wants concrete, practical results from UNCED -- results that will guide future action on the full range of environmental and developmental issues.

Thank you for taking the time to express your interest on these environmental issues with President Bush. You can be sure that the President will continue working with other nations to obtain global solutions to these challenging issues.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "D. Allan Bromley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "D." and last name "Bromley" clearly legible.

D. Allan Bromley
The Assistant to the President
for
Science and Technology

Mr. Andrew Gebert
4 Briarwood Lane
Woodstock, New York 12498

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THE HONORABLE GEORGE W. BUSH
THE WHITE HOUSE
1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVE. NW
WASHINGTON DC 20501

Re: Global Warming Treaty

Dear President George W. Bush :

It is imperative that the US reverse its stand on CO2 emmissions in the current negotiations at the UN toward a framework treaty on climate change. Even before new scientific evidence cast doubt on the administration's claims that the US could fulfill its responsibility in this matter simply by reducing CFC emissions, the potential consequences of global warming are too massive and dire to merit any but the most serious and cautious approach. The threat of climate cachange is one of equity - equity between generations, equity between hemispheres. For it is the people who have enjoyed littled or none of the benefits and conveniences of our squanderous energy policies - the people of the Third World and the people of future generations - who will be forced to deal with the consequences of those policies . We must act now - erring, if necessary, on the side of caution - to reduce what experts agree is the single greatest threat to the human future.

Please follow up on your promise to be the "Environmental President." At base, economic growth and environmental protection are not incompatible. The upcoming UNCED conference in Brazil will be a major step toward defining a new paradigm of economic growth - sustainable development - and I urge you to attend as a constructive participant. Finding this new paradigm will, more than anything, require vision, a quality which the American people have come to expect and appreciate in you.

Sincerely,

Andrew Gebert
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FROM: Sister Anne Greenslade

TO: President Bush

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SUBJECT: She is writing to urge the President to attend the
Earth Summit (UNCED) in Rio de Janeiro

DIRECTORATE STAFF
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Earth Summit

LORETTO EARTH NETWORK

February 25, 1992

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

LORETTO EARTH NETWORK
South Platte Bioregion
3001 S. Federal Blvd.
Denver, CO 80236-2798

Dear Mr. President:

In your April, 1991 address to Congress on "Strategic Principals" for future United States environmental policies, you elaborated on the following principals:

- 1) Harnessing the Power of the Marketplace
- 2) Stewardship of the Natural Resources
- 3) Creative Partnerships
- 4) Pollution prevention
- 5) Vigorous Law Enforcement
- 6) Cooperative International Solutions

President Bush, as the leader of the most powerful nation on earth, I urge you to accept the invitation of the General Assembly of the United Nations to participate in the EARTH SUMMIT. Do let the world know that you will attend the EARTH SUMMIT. I also urge you to direct your Administration to give positive leadership on the important issues that are under consideration now in preparation for the EARTH SUMMIT. Much of the world now sees the United States as blocking agreements.

One major issue is global warming and energy use related to it. Targets and timetables are needed. Europe is serious about this. The developing nations will not act unless they see the industrialized countries willing to do so and/or help them to do so. We should aim to reduce carbon dioxide emissions from 1988 levels by 20% by the year 2000.

Two other major specific areas which we can give needed leadership are biodiversity and forest protection. Binding agreements as soon as possible are important. It should be unthinkable, on behalf of this and future generations, that we continue to lose species as we now are. It is all kinds of forests, both ours and tropical forests, that need protection.

In conclusion, I ask you to support:



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- 1) An international convention with targets and timetables to reduce the threat of global climate change.
- 2) Forest principles calling for programs to curb global deforestation, protect substantial portions of mature native forests, give indigenous forest-dwellers legal control of their own territories, and provide incentives for sustainable management of production forests.
- 3) A global convention with action plans to preserve the biological diversity of plant and animal species.
- 4) New global institutions and financing to protect and restore the world's environment.

President Bush, your presence and your leadership are essential, not only to the international negotiations that are being considered now, but also at the EARTH SUMMIT that will be held in Rio de Janeiro June 1-12.

I pray that you will respond to these major and critical issues and ask that the Holy Spirit will guide and direct you.

Very Sincerely,

Sister Anne Greenslade, S.L.

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FROM: Philip Lessin

TO: President Bush

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President George Bush

White House 1600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW

Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr President,

I am writing to impress you with the
need for you to support a strong climate
convention with specific timetables
for reduction of CO2 emissions

Sincerely yours,

Philip Lessin

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PRESIDENT BUSH

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FROM: Bruce E. Rittenhouse

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President George Bush
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Bush:

I strongly urge you to make an immediate public commitment to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (the "Earth Summit"). U.S. participation in this process is needed now to catalyze an international consensus to address the greatest threat our nation faces.

We are part of a process which is rapidly destroying the ability of our world to sustain human agriculture, economic activity, and ultimately human society. Carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases are being added to the atmosphere at a rate which will change the earth's climate faster than natural ecosystems can adapt. This has the potential to create droughts, flooding, agricultural failures and mass extinctions. These, in turn, will lead to famine, mass migrations, and conflict over food and water resources. Old growth northern forests and tropical rain forests are being logged at a rate which destroys their other economic benefits: storing carbon, generating oxygen, preserving rainfall patterns, slowing water runoff, preventing erosion, preserving habitat for tens of thousands of species (many of which have economic as well as intrinsic value), and creating recreational opportunities.

We still have the ability to slow the pace of global warming, to preserve the ecological integrity of the remaining forests, and to prevent the extinction of thousands of species. But you must act now, to bring proposals to address these issues to the final preparatory meeting for the Earth Summit, beginning March 2.

The environment cannot wait until after this year's electoral process. U.S. intransigence now will be used by other nations to justify another decade of unsustainable depletion of the natural capital upon which our economic and social institutions are based.

I can think of no better forum than the Earth Summit for you to showcase the necessity of your belief in international cooperation. We cannot afford the new isolationism of left or right which would ignore the global concerns which will define our safety and our livelihood in the years to come. This is a defining moment. Your actions now will help determine whether your legacy is an inheritance of health and prosperity, or disease and want. Please attend the Earth Summit and commit the U.S. to participating in global conventions to reduce carbon dioxide emissions, reduce air and water pollution, protect species from extinction, and protect forests. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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FROM: Francine Salom

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February 25, 1992

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

Dear President Bush:

You call yourself the "environmental President." Unfortunately, your actions have done much to demonstrate your anti-environment philosophy. We urge you to commit the United States to cutting carbon dioxide emissions in the climate treaty negotiations and attend the Earth Summit to provide the leadership needed to address critical global environmental issues.

We are also very concerned with your destructive wetland policy and are most anxious to learn what is being done to restore and protect the wetlands. Redefining wetlands to serve special interests does not and will not help but will only exacerbate the problems.

Keep in mind the words of Nobelist Dr. Richard Feynman. "For a successful technology, reality must take precedence over public relations for Nature cannot be fooled." Obviously, politics is just the reverse. Public relations takes precedence over reality. Nevertheless, the ozone layer is being depleted; our natural resources are being needlessly destroyed, never to be replaced. It is essential that personal biases and misconceptions not endanger us all.

Your cooperation is vital. We would appreciate hearing from you about this matter, and request a realistic, honest response and not self-serving public relations.

Sincerely yours,

Francine Salom

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FROM: Arthur Strauss, M.D.

TO: President Bush

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global warming

February 25, 1992

President George Bush
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Bush:

I am writing you about a subject of great concern to millions of people - global warming. This impending crisis needs to be addressed immediately.

Long-term savings, according to a recent study "America's Energy Choices," from a more energy-efficient economy and rapid commercialization of renewable energy technologies, can be in the trillions of dollars by the year 2030.

I am asking you to take a leadership role regarding the global warming crisis, put politics aside and realize your promise of being "the environmental President" by:

- 1) reverse the United State's position on global climate change and join virtually every other industrial country in committing to at least stabilize U.S. carbon dioxide emissions at 1990 levels.
- 2) attend the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro this June.

Sincerely,



Arthur Strauss, M.D.
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FROM: Jodean Marks Mark Allen

TO: President Bush

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3815 W Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.
February 18, 1992

President George Bush
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

We are writing out of our concern about the environment. A unique opportunity presents itself for the United States, the world's lone superpower, to provide leadership in the global effort to protect the environment. The United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), is coming up this June in Brazil. We ask that you lead the United States delegation to UNCED in order to show this country's commitment to sustainable development in the context of environmental protection. An agreement on global warming that binds the nations of the world to a twenty percent cut in greenhouse emissions is an essential first step to curbing huge and potentially disastrous shifts in climate. The international scientific consensus is that global warming is happening and the consequences could include disruption of agriculture, flooding of all coastal cities, and massive extinctions of plant and animal populations due to inability to migrate as rapidly as climate zones shift. All of these changes are likely to occur in the next 50 to 100 years. In addition, the United States must agree to a ban on international traffic in toxic wastes. Apparently, at present we are the only nation opposed to such a ban. In sum, the United States must join, and in fact should lead, the nations of the world in putting the needs of humanity and the Earth above the needs of business as usual. The recent announcement that the ozone layer is thinning above major United States population centers should also lend a sense of urgency to our role at UNCED. Please do all you can to maximize the United States' constructive role at UNCED.

Sincerely,

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FROM: HALL, LEA

TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

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EARTH SUMMIT (UNCED) IN RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 2, 1992

Dear Ms. Hall:

On behalf of President Bush, thank you for your comments and suggestions about global environmental issues and the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED). The President appreciates your concerns and has asked that I respond to your letter of February 24, 1992 regarding these issues.

The United States, under President Bush's leadership, is aggressively pursuing international efforts to address problems related to climate change, ozone depletion, forests, oceans, biological diversity, and technology cooperation with developing countries. The Administration has put forward specific proposals in various international fora to address each of these questions. More important, the United States is already taking specific steps here at home, through both legislation and administrative action, to begin tackling these problems.

Specifically regarding climate change, you may be pleased to know that the United States has already begun taking actions that will have the effect of reducing net emissions of greenhouse gases. These include:

- * President Bush proposed and signed into law the 1990 Clean Air Act, which will reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the utility sector through restrictions on utility air pollutants;
- * The Bush Administration has proposed, both through the National Energy Strategy and through various regulatory measures, to improve energy efficiency in power generation and transmission, buildings, appliances, lighting, and transportation, which will restrain related carbon dioxide emissions;
- * The President has proposed, through his tree planting initiatives, to increase the acreage and to improve the management of forests, which act as greenhouse gas "sinks";
- * The President has proposed to expand the use of renewable and low-emission fuel sources;

- * Since President Bush took office, he has doubled funding for conservation research and development (R&D) and increased funding for renewable R&D by 69 percent; and
- * The Administration has not only proposed, but the President has signed into law, the phaseout of ozone-depleting compounds that are also greenhouse gases.

Additionally, in February 1992, in response to new scientific evidence, President Bush was the first head of state to commit his country unilaterally to accelerating the date for the complete phaseout of the production of chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs). The President's action moves up the phaseout date of CFCs, which deplete the Earth's ozone layer, to December 31, 1995. Due to a number of previous Administration actions, U.S. production of ozone-depleting substances is already more than 40 percent below levels allowed by the internationally agreed Montreal Protocol. Under the new schedule, the U.S. will eliminate production four years ahead of the current international deadline, thus continuing the record of U.S. leadership in this area extending back to the mid-1970s.

The United States supports a comprehensive approach, addressing all greenhouse gases, not just carbon dioxide, and "sinks," such as forests. Focusing exclusively on carbon dioxide emissions, as some have proposed, is an inadequate response.

The United States has committed \$25 million to assist developing countries in planning to mitigate and/or adapt to climate change. The U.S. has stepped up its own climate action plan, first outlined in February 1991, including actions in such areas as energy efficiency, transportation, reduced emission supply technologies, agriculture, natural resources, and technology R&D. The United States has also committed \$50 million to the core fund of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and \$150 million in parallel financing through the U.S. Agency for International Development. In addition to addressing global climate change, the GEF also funds projects concerning biodiversity, international waters, and ozone.

The U.S. Global Change Research Program is the world's largest such program and thus provides much of the scientific foundation for international agreements on climate change and ozone depletion. The Bush Administration has invested \$2.6 billion in global change research, far more than any other country, with an additional \$1.3 billion proposed for year 1993 -- over six times the fiscal 1989 level. Research on the scientific and economic aspects

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of global climate change will enable policy makers to make better judgments about potential impacts and policy actions.

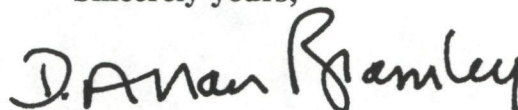
Regarding the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), scheduled this June in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, President Bush is committed to achieving international agreement on a framework convention on climate change. In addition to a global agreement on climate change, the Bush Administration also hopes UNCED will produce strategies and specific initiatives to improve conservation of forests, oceans, and biological diversity, and to increase technology cooperation with developing countries. You can be sure that the United States will be well represented at the conference.

As we move forward into the 1990s, the United States will continue to address global environmental challenges within a context of expanding economic opportunities for all the world's people. The United States wants concrete, practical results from UNCED -- results that will guide future action on the full range of environmental and developmental issues.

Thank you for taking the time to express your interest on these environmental issues with President Bush. You can be sure that the President will continue working with other nations to obtain global solutions to these challenging issues.

With the President's best wishes,

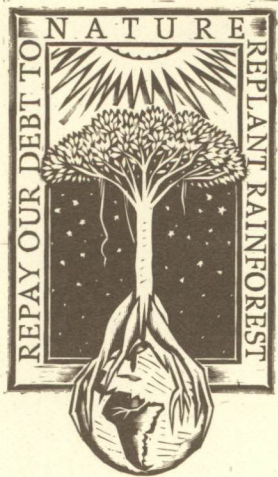
Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "D. Allan Bromley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "D." and last name "Bromley" clearly legible.

D. Allan Bromley
The Assistant to the President
for
Science and Technology

Ms. Lea Hall
5042 Queen Avenue, South
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55410

UNCED



February 24, 1992

President George Bush
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20515

Dear President,

Ambassador Ryan visited Minneapolis/St. Paul this week and we were glad of the opportunity to meet with him. We hold high hopes for the outcomes of the Earth Summit.

I am a small business owner, and because I import wood products from Central America, I am mindful every day of my dependence on the forests of the world. For other businesses, the connection between survival, profitability, and earth stewardship is less apparent but real.

The time has come when not only environmental activists but also the business community is recognizing the critical need for international accords on forest management, water management, greenhouse gases and ozone-depleting chemicals, and generally sustainable use of all natural resources.

Your performance as environmental president has been widely and rightly criticized. The Earth Summit presents a critically important moment in history, and I urge you to apply your considerable statesmanship to supporting its success. See to it that we come out of it proudly, as global leaders in the fashioning of an Earth Charter that no nation can afford to violate.

Sincerely,

Lea Hall
Lea Hall, President

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FROM: L. Christian Hauck

TO: President Bush

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Bush's "No Regret's Policy" position.

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SUNFLOWER ELECTRIC POWER CORPORATION

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February 24, 1992

The Honorable George Bush
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The White House
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Dear Mr. President:

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We would also respectfully suggest that you not attend the United Nations conference in Brazil this Spring. From the "science" that will be the basis for any actions taken with respect to SO₂ at the UN conference, it appears that acceptance of global warming as a fact, and a determination that CO₂ is the culprit is at once ill-advised and predetermined.

Sunflower's Board of Directors is very interested in this issue, and unanimously adopted the resolution enclosed with this letter. We sincerely hope that our views are helpful to you as this issue is approached.

Very truly yours,

L. Christian Hauck
President and CEO

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RESOLUTION

Of the Board of Directors of
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Unanimously Adopted on February 21, 1992

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WHEREAS, such CO₂ caps and taxes would substantially increase the cost of electricity produced by Sunflower Electric Power Corporation and other electric utilities relying on coal for their power supply, resulting in severe cost impacts on electric consumers and ultimately damaging the economy of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Sunflower owns and operates Holcomb Station as the primary source of electric energy for the 150,000 rural western Kansas consumers that own Sunflower through Sunflower's member cooperatives; and

WHEREAS, Holcomb Station is one of the nation's few "superclean" coal-fired power plants, constructed and operated under extremely stringent environmental restrictions which already have imposed significant capital and operating cost penalties on Sunflower and its consumers; and

WHEREAS, the use of domestic coal for the production of electricity is a benefit to the economic security of the nation in that it replaces the use of imported oil in meeting the nation's energy needs; and

WHEREAS, President Bush, in the face of mounting unjustified pressure, has steadfastly held firm to a position that is known as the "no regrets" policy, which policy has been strongly endorsed by our National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA), in a letter from NRECA's Executive Vice President to President George Bush; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Sunflower Electric Power Corporation, representing the interests of the 150,000 Americans served by the Sunflower-associated systems:

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Unanimously Adopted on February 21, 1992

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WHEREAS, the United States is being pressured to sign a treaty at the United Nations Council for Environment and Development (UNCED) meeting in June which would limit carbon dioxide (CO₂) production; and

WHEREAS, several proposals have been made in Congress to impose taxes on carbon fuels or CO₂ emissions as a means of limiting such emissions; and

WHEREAS, such CO₂ caps and taxes would substantially increase the cost of electricity produced by Sunflower Electric Power Corporation and other electric utilities relying on coal for their power supply, resulting in severe cost impacts on electric consumers and ultimately damaging the economy of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Sunflower owns and operates Holcomb Station as the primary source of electric energy for the 150,000 rural western Kansas consumers that own Sunflower through Sunflower's member cooperatives; and

WHEREAS, Holcomb Station is one of the nation's few "superclean" coal-fired power plants, constructed and operated under extremely stringent environmental restrictions which already have imposed significant capital and operating cost penalties on Sunflower and its consumers; and

WHEREAS, the use of domestic coal for the production of electricity is a benefit to the economic security of the nation in that it replaces the use of imported oil in meeting the nation's energy needs; and

WHEREAS, President Bush, in the face of mounting unjustified pressure, has steadfastly held firm to a position that is known as the "no regrets" policy, which policy has been strongly endorsed by our National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA), in a letter from NRECA's Executive Vice President to President George Bush; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Sunflower Electric Power Corporation, representing the interests of the 150,000 Americans served by the Sunflower-associated systems:

1. Strongly commends President Bush for adhering to the "no regrets" policy position as the most sensible approach to global climate issues when the science is yet uncertain, and
2. Urges the formal addition of a "no-tax, no-cap" position on CO₂ to the "no regrets" policy.

April 8, 1992

Dear Mr. Hauck:

On behalf of President Bush, thank you for your very kind comments on US activities related to the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC) on a framework convention on climate change. The President appreciates your support and has asked that I respond to your letter of February 24, 1992 regarding this issue.

The President strongly believes that US policies in this area must be based on the most solid scientific and economic information base available. As you mentioned, the US Global Change Research Program is the world's largest such program and thus provides much of the scientific foundation for international agreements on climate change and ozone depletion. In fact, the Bush Administration has invested \$2.6 billion in global change research to date, with an additional \$1.3 billion proposed for fiscal 1993. Research on the scientific and economic aspects of global climate change will enable policy makers to make better judgements about potential impacts and policy actions.

Thank you for taking the time to express your interest on this issue and we appreciate your support.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

D. Allan Bromley
The Assistant to the President
for
Science and Technology

Mr. L. Christian Hauck
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FROM: Paul and Debbie Johansson

TO: President Bush

DATE OF
CORRESPONDENCE:

SUBJECT: He is writing to urge the President to attend the
Earth Summit (UNCED) in Rio de Janeiro

DIRECTORATE STAFF
ASSIGNED: ASSIGNED: Nancy Maynard

ACTION STAFF
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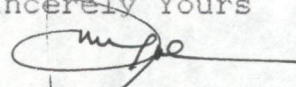
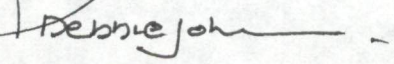
Re: UNCED meeting.

Dear President Bush,

We are deeply concerned about Your Administrations opposition to many of the suggestions proposed for the UNCED meeting in Rio de Janeiro 6/1/1992. We urge you to work with all other Countries toward finding solutions for the many serious problems that face our Planet.

As you well know, our environmental problems are growing more severe every day and solutions are available, it is the political will that is missing. We believe you are not supplying the leadership needed on this issue. We urge you to change your mind.

Sincerely Yours

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Laguna Beach, Calif. 91651

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FROM: John B. Marks

TO: President Bush

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SUBJECT: He is writing to urge the President to attend the
(UNCED) conference in Rio de Janeiro

DIRECTORATE STAFF
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Dear Mr. President:

Congratulations on instructing our negotiators to press forward toward international banning of CFC's.

Now is the time to accompany this with new initiatives on carbon dioxide and methane emissions which are causing global warming. The U.S. should lead the world in this, not hold it back.

Respectfully,

John B. Marks



President George Bush
The White House
Washington DC 20500

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FROM: Sharon Morkin

TO: President Bush

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Earth Summit (UNCED) in Rio de Janeiro

DIRECTORATE STAFF
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President George Bush
White House
Washington, D.C.

Sharon Morkin
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Dear President Bush,

My name is Sharon Morkin. I am a second grade teacher at Oakland School in Bloomington, Illinois and have been for more than twenty-six years. In 1990 I was selected as one of the top ten elementary science teachers in the state of Illinois. Last year I was one of three finalists in Illinois for the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Teaching Science. I work hard to develop in my young students a sense of wonder, an appreciation and respect for life, as well as, a responsibility for the care and preservation of our fragile environment. These children are the bright future of our country and need your support to help ensure that future in a healthy environment.

Your administration must play a lead role in encouraging environmental protection. The United States needs to be a world leader in environmental protection. We should be helping other industrialized and developing nations move toward a clean and healthy environment. President Bush, I strongly urge you to:

- a) Support a global warming treaty to cut emissions of carbon dioxide and other ozone-destroying gases;
- b) Agree to a ban on the international trafficking of toxic waste; and
- c) Commit to attending the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), taking place in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from June 1-12, 1992.

This conference is a beginning of the end to acid rain, global warming, rainforest destruction, ocean pollution, hunger and poverty. If all countries of the world would unite with this common goal an environmentally sustainable future would be there for my second grade students. It is my opinion that this conference will be a failure without the strong leadership of the United States.

As a Republican I supported you in the defeat of Communism. Now I hope to support you in the defeat of the next biggest threat to our world---the destruction of our global environment. Please make environmental protection a high priority.

Sincerely yours,

Sharon Morkin