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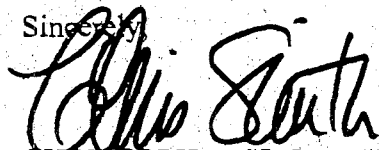
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Department: **DOJ/GSA**

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Message: Let me know if you need anything else. I will be at your office at 3:45 on Thursday.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 23, 2001

The Honorable William R. Barton
Inspector General
General Services Administration
1800 F Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20405

Dear Bill:

Congratulations on your June 1st retirement as Inspector General for the General Services Administration after 50 years of service with the federal government.

Our Nation is deeply indebted to the men and women who devote their lives to public service. I know how proud your family, friends, and colleagues must be of your accomplishments. Laura joins me in sending best wishes for many years of happiness.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George W. Bush".

George W. Bush

Biography

William R. Barton
Inspector General
General Services Administration

William R. Barton's appointment as the Inspector General of the General Services Administration (GSA) was confirmed by the United States Senate October 29, 1985. Mr. Barton directs a nationwide staff of about 300 employees dedicated to preventing and detecting waste, fraud and mismanagement in GSA programs. As the Federal Government's business manager, GSA establishes policy and manages Federal property and records, including construction and operation of buildings, procurement and distribution of supplies, utilization and disposal of property, transportation, traffic, communications, and the government-wide automatic data processing resources program.

As Inspector General, Mr. Barton is a member of the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency (PCIE), an interagency organization created in 1981 to provide leadership for government-wide efforts to reduce waste, fraud and abuse in Federal programs. Mr. Barton has served as Chairman of the Communications Committee, which produced "Frontline," the PCIE newsletter, and other publications. He also chaired the Investigative Standards and Training Subcommittee of the PCIE's Integrity and Law Enforcement Committee, which established a PCIE Coordinator for the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center. He is currently a member of the Investigations Committee. Earlier, Mr. Barton served for 2 years as Chairman of the Training Subcommittee. The Subcommittee coordinated training opportunities for auditors, investigators, support personnel, hotline operators, and senior managers.

Prior to his GSA appointment, Mr. Barton had been a member of the U.S. Secret Service for 32 years. He began his career as a Special Agent in 1953 and rose steadily through the ranks to the position of Deputy Director. Between 1972 and 1976, he was in charge of protecting visiting Heads of State and Heads of Government.

An active member of several professional associations, Mr. Barton is a member of the National Sheriffs' Association in which he serves on the Private Security/Law Enforcement Committee. He has been a member of the Board of Directors for the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Department of the Treasury, located in Glynco, Georgia. He served as President of the National Association of Federal Investigators (AFI) during 1988. In 1990, AFI honored him with the Law Enforcement Leadership Award, one of its most prestigious awards. In April 1991, AFI merged with the Federal Criminal Investigators Association to form the Federal Investigators Association. Mr. Barton was elected Vice President of the new organization. He is also a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the Association of Government Accountants, the Association of Former Agents of the U.S. Secret Service, and the Federal Executive Institute Alumni Association (FEIAA), which honored him as "Federal Executive of the Year" in 1985. Mr. Barton was elected to the FEIAA Board of Directors in 1991 and re-elected to a new 3-year term in January 1994. In 1990, the Senior Executives Association Professional Development League

presented Mr. Barton with its highest honor, the Executive Excellence Award for Distinguished Executive Service.

Mr. Barton received his Bachelor's Degree with high honors in police administration from Michigan State University in 1952. In 1986, he was honored as "Alumnus of the Year" at his alma mater's graduation ceremony.

A U.S. Marine Corps veteran, Mr. Barton served with the Fourth Marine Division in the Pacific Theatre from 1943 until 1945. He participated in the Marshall Islands, Saipan, Tinian, and Iwo Jima campaigns.

He and his wife, Helen, live in Fairfax, Virginia. Mr. Barton's son, James, has followed in his father's footsteps as a U.S. Secret Service Special Agent.

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

May 24, 2001

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

Dear Mr. President:

The nation is facing an energy crisis. As to whether there is a crisis in energy supply there can be differences of opinion. There is no doubt, however, that high energy prices have caused crises in the lives of low income Americans. Prices for natural gas during this past winter have been double and triple those of a year ago throughout the country, and, at times as much as five times as high. In much of the nation these high natural gas prices have caused increases in electricity prices by as much as 100 per cent.

We have entered the period when cutoff notices are sent to customers who are unable to pay their bills for electricity, gas and heating oil. Preliminary survey data suggest that thousands of households have received, or soon will receive, shutoff notices—200,000 in just eight states (Delaware, Iowa, Mississippi, New Hampshire, Indiana, Louisiana, Kansas and Missouri). Caseloads for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) have increased by more than 30 per cent during the past winter. Over one million more households have applied for assistance this year than last. Millions of hard working Americans are in arrears and threatened with cutoff of their energy sources. These Americans are faced with heavy debt and more huge bills to come. Projections are that high prices will continue into the warm months.

The need is not just for winter heating, but for summer cooling as well. During the summer of 2000, Secretary Shalala found it necessary to release emergency funds for assistance in Southern states, citing the deaths of "over twenty-four people" from heat related causes. This summer has not yet begun, but low income citizens are starting out from a much worse position, due to the high cost of natural gas, electricity and heating oil during the winter months.

Mere statistics cannot convey the cost in human suffering that result from higher energy prices and inability to pay energy bills. However, we believe that the dramatic increase in the number of cutoff notices and in applications for LIHEAP assistance underscore the desperate need for increased funding for LIHEAP for this year and the years to come.

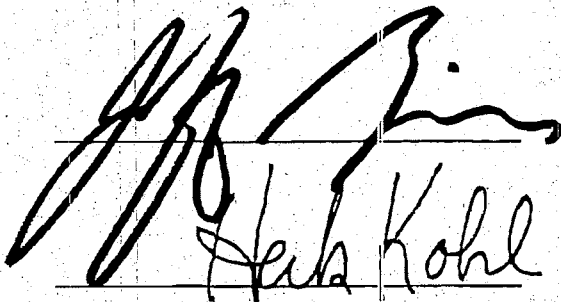
The Report of National Energy Policy Development Group argues eloquently for increased funding for this program, and yet, the report recommends a reduction in funding for the coming year from the level of funding for FY 2001. During this fiscal year (2001), \$2.25 billion has been distributed for LIHEAP. Those funds have been expended and still the need is great.

The Energy Emergency Response Act of 2001, S. 352, has passed the Senate as an amendment to the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 2001, S. 420. The combined bill is awaiting action in the House of Representatives. This bill authorizes an increase for LIHEAP to \$3.4 billion in fiscal year 2001 and following years. The Senate Budget Resolution included \$3.4 billion in base funding and \$600 million for emergency allocation for 2002.

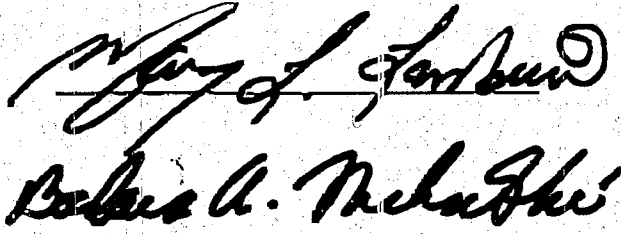
We urge you to respond to the need of the nation by supporting a supplemental appropriation to raise the funding levels for LIHEAP to the levels authorized in S. 352, to increase the funding for the rest of 2001 to the full \$3.4 billion. This would require an additional \$2 billion in funds. We also urge that you support \$3.4 billion base funding for LIHEAP for 2002 appropriations and for forward funding for 2003, in the 2002 budget and appropriations process.

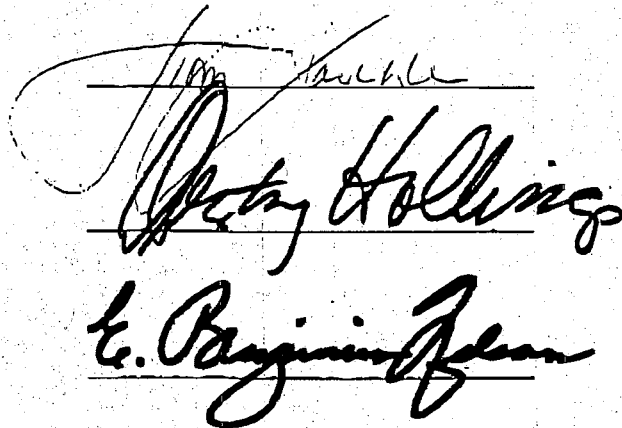
This is an action that we can take immediately to mitigate the impact of high energy prices on the lives of Americans.

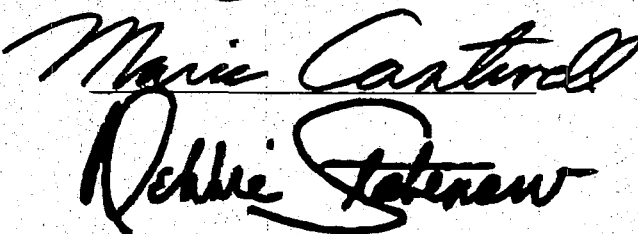
Sincerely,


Herb Kohl

Max Cleland


Robert A. Mikulski


Betty Hollings


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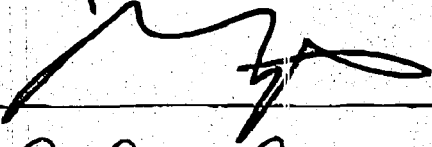
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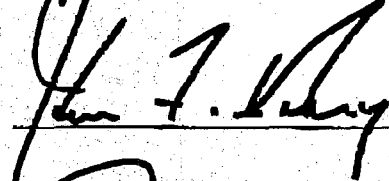
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DATE: 7/19/01

TO: Kyle Sampson

FROM: Chris Christie

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RE: US Attorney for the District of NJ

NUMBER OF PAGES, INCLUDING THIS TRANSMITTAL SHEET: 4

MESSAGE: Kyle—

In an effort to keep you fully advised, attached are letters of support from Bret Schundler, our GOP nominee for Governor, and Congressman Ferguson which I have received and which have been forwarded to The White House since we met on July 3rd. In addition, I was contacted last night and told that Congressman Jim Saxton will be sending a letter to The White House supporting my candidacy for US Attorney. If I get a copy of the letter today I will fax it to you directly. That means that five of the six in the NJ GOP Congressional delegation are supporting me. I also have attached a list of individuals who have written letters of support on my behalf. If you need a copy of any of those letters, please let me know. Please let me know if there is any further information I can provide to you.

Chris Christie

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Bret Schundler

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July 13, 2000

The Honorable George W. Bush
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20502

Dear President Bush:

I am writing to recommend the appointment of Christopher J. Christie as United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey.

Chris has been an outstanding lawyer and active Republican in New Jersey for many years. In my dealings with Chris over the past few years, I have found him to be intelligent, insightful and a man of his word. Those are the kind of qualities we need in the U.S. Attorney in New Jersey.

Chris has not only been an active practicing lawyer for fourteen years, but he has also been an elected official and an active supporter of many charitable causes. He has shown leadership as an elected official, professionalism as an attorney and integrity in his every day life.

I am confident that Chris would be an outstanding U.S. Attorney by every possible measure. My support for him is unequivocal and I ask that your administration give serious consideration to his candidacy.

Sincerely yours,


Bret Schundler

Cc: The Honorable John Ashcroft, Attorney General of the United States
The Honorable Clay S. Johnson III, Assistant to the President for Presidential Personnel

MIKE FERGUSON
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July 16, 2001

The Honorable Judge Alberto R. Gonzales
Counsel to the President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington DC 20502

Dear Judge Gonzales:

It is with great pleasure that I write to you strongly recommending Christopher J. Christie for an appointment to the position of U.S. Attorney for the District of New Jersey. As a longtime friend, I have come to know him as an excellent attorney, a loyal Republican, an active civic volunteer and a strong family man who would be a true asset to the Department of Justice.

Chris has been a practicing litigator for 14 years, with a concentration in securities law and appellate practice. Through my discussions with him about this position, I have become convinced that he is more than qualified to serve in the Administration. I have also had the opportunity to observe his work as a Board member of the charity nearest my family's heart, Daytop Village-New Jersey. Daytop is a faith-based, in-patient adolescent drug treatment facility where, since 1998, Chris has served on the board and also as their volunteer legal advisor. As a further sign of Chris' commitment to public service, I point to the fact that he served admirably as a Morris County Freeholder from 1995-1997.

On a personal note, my wife, Maureen, and I have become good friends with Chris and his wife, Mary Pat. Through this relationship we have grown to respect both of them as model citizens and parents to their three young children, Andrew, Sarah Anne and Patrick.

Again, based upon Chris Christie's legal experience, his work as a community volunteer, his service as a former elected official and my personal knowledge of him and his family, I urge you to offer this highly qualified candidate your utmost consideration. Thank you and please let me know if there is any way that I may be of assistance to you in this or any other matter.

Sincerely,



Michael Ferguson
Member of Congress

Individuals supporting Chris Christie for United States Attorney

Acting Governor Don DiFrancesco, Co-Chair, Bush for President-New Jersey
Mayor Bret Schundler, GOP Candidate for Governor
Congresswoman Marge Roukema
Congressman Chris Smith
Congressman Rodney Frelinghuysen
Congressman Jim Saxton
Congressman Michael Ferguson
Assembly Speaker Jack Collins, Co-Chair, Bush for President-New Jersey
GOP State Chairman State Senator Joe Kyrillos
Assembly Majority Leader Paul DiGaetano
Former Congressman Bob Franks
Mr. Lewis Eisenberg
Mr. Clifford Sobel, Finance Chairman, Bush for President-New Jersey
Mr. Jon Hanson
Bergen County Executive Pat Schuber
Ocean County GOP Chairman George Gilmore
Morris County GOP Chairwoman Lois Johnson
Burlington County GOP Chairman Glenn Paulsen
Cape May County Chairman David Von Savage
W. Cary Edwards, Esq., Former NJ Attorney General
Senator Bob Martin
Senator Tony Bucco
Assemblyman Alex DeCroce
Assemblyman Joe Pennacchio
Assemblyman Michael Patrick Carroll
Assemblyman Rick Merkt
Assemblyman Guy Gregg
Morris County Clerk Joan Bramhall
Morris County Surrogate John Pecoraro
Morris County Freeholder Frank Druetzler
Morris County Freeholder John Inglesino
Dr. Munr Kazmir
Michael Dedio, Mayor of Riverdale
Edward Bolcar, Mayor of Boonton