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November 22, 1993

Mr. Lewis D. Andrews, Jr.
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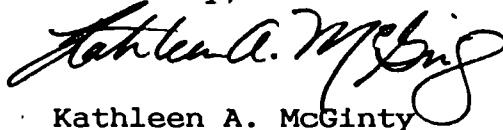
Dear Mr. Andrews:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your work in the glass manufacturing industry. It was good to hear from you.

As you know, I share President Clinton's and Vice President Gore's commitment to the preservation of the environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. I appreciate receiving a copy of Advantage Glass, documenting the advantages of glass containers over plastic ones.

Again, thank you for letting me hear from you.

Sincerely,



Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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October 1, 1993

Ms. Kathleen A. McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, office on Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building
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Dear Ms. McGinty:

On behalf of the glass container manufacturing industry in the United States, I would like to present to you this copy of Advantage Glass, a new study documenting the environmental advantages of glass over plastic containers based on published information.

The study, conducted by Henry Cole Ph.D. and Kenneth Brown and subjected to rigorous peer review by the environmental science community, is a definitive review of published data regarding the environmental impact of glass and plastic rigid containers. The Glass Packaging Institute, a national trade association representing over 90% of the glass container industry contracted the study because previous studies of this nature by the plastics industry have raised more questions than they have answered.

Overall, the report found that when compared to plastic containers, glass is environmentally superior. A number of environmental attributes for both plastics and glass were evaluated including recyclability, energy efficiency, hazardous inputs and air emissions. The report found that public concern about plastics is warranted and that a switch from glass to plastics is an environmental mistake.

We hope that you find this report useful and informative. If your staff has any questions or would like additional information please do not hesitate to call me at (202) 887-4850.

Sincerely,

Lewis D. Andrews, Jr.
President

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November 22, 1993

Mr. Terrence Amrein
P.O. Box 7756
Jackson, WY 83001

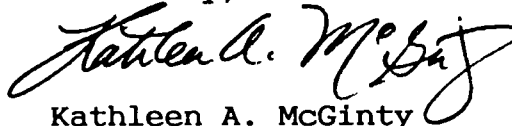
Dear Mr. Amrein:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your thoughts about the recovery of wolves in central Idaho. It was good to hear from you.

As you know, I share President Clinton's commitment to the preservation of the environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. I certainly appreciate learning your views on possible funding for wolf education and monitoring systems over the next five years. I have taken the liberty of sharing a copy of your letter with Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt.

Again, thank you for sharing your views with me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Kathleen A. McGinty".

Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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P.O. Box 7756 Jackson Wyo 83001
October 15 1993

Kathleen Mc Ginty
White House Office on Environmental Policy
1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW Washington DC 20500

Dear Ms Mc Ginty,

Please accept my apology for this being longhand. Due to an accident it is very difficult to type right now.

The Environment and human interaction has been a serious study for me most of my life. I am educated as well as experienced.

I hope the Environmental record of the current administration is wonderful. I'm excited about Al Gore's policies.

Therefore I urge CAUTION on the Wolf issue in Wyoming, southern Montana and most of Idaho.

The public has been somewhat misled on the economics and impacts from the wolves. Government monies would be better spent improving other habitats; the wolf project will give almost no benefit and its cost outrageous.

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I would be happy to help you in any way I can.

Terrence (Terry) Amrein
TERRENCE AMREIN

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 16, 1993

Mr. Steve Armstrong
Cameron Grain Corporation
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Cameron, IL 61423

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

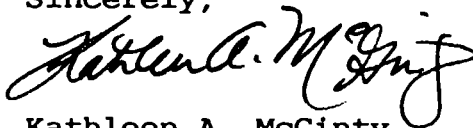
Thank you for contacting me regarding your thoughts about the use of ethanol.

I share President Clinton's and Vice President Gore's commitment to the preservation of our environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. President Clinton and I believe that we must encourage the study and development of technologies for alternatively fueled vehicles. As you know, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is currently looking into a proposed rule on the use of ethanol and its status under the Clean Air Act of 1990. I await the EPA's findings in this regard.

I certainly appreciate learning your concerns about the listing of ethanol under the Clean Air Act. Rest assured that this Administration will continue its efforts to promote our goal of a cleaner environment and a strong economy.

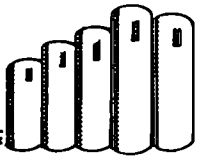
Again, thank you for sharing your views with me.

Sincerely,



Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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Nov 3 1993

Office of Environmental Policy:

Please do not allow the EPA
to kill the future of ethanol. The midwest
depends heavily on this renewable fuel.
We expect Clinton to keep his campaign
promise of passing ethanol legislation. Please
fight against Big oil's foreign money and
please fight for American Jobs

Steve M Armstrong

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 4, 1993

Ms. Pat Andres
Secretary
Oregon Lands Coalition
247 Commercial N.E.
Salem, OR 97301

Dear Ms.  Andres:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your thoughts about the President's Forest Management Plan. It was good to hear from you, and I apologize for the delay in responding.

President Clinton and I are committed to the preservation of the environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. The President and I believe that the Forest Conference was a significant step toward the resolution of the problems facing the Pacific Northwest.

As you know, President Clinton recently announced his Forest Plan for a Sustainable Economy and a Sustainable Environment, based on the analytical work of the three working groups established at the Forest Conference. I believe that the Forest Plan is scientifically-sound and legally responsible and will provide a sustainable harvest. This plan also includes a new economic assistance program that helps local workers, businesses and communities in strengthening the region's economy by creating family-wage jobs, offering new economic opportunities, and ensuring the region's long-term economic health. Rest assured that this Administration shares your concern for the well-being of the citizens of the Pacific Northwest, and we will continue in our efforts in this regard.

Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me.

Sincerely,



Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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August 27, 1993
Kathleen McGinty
White House Office on Envir. Policy
360 Old Executive Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Katie:

From the time that President Clinton's forest plan was released the members of the Oregon Lands Coalition have been greatly concerned about the effects of the plan on the families and economy in not only the Pacific Northwest but the entire United States. We have questioned whether such an extreme reduction in timber harvest from our federal forests can be in the public's best interest.

Our concerns prompted us, together with the O & C counties and grassroots groups from Washington and California, to provide for a scientific review of the social and economic aspects of the plan by a panel of respected forest scientists and economists. This report confirmed our worst fears.

The Scientific Review Panel points out the failure of the President's plan to recognize the depth of the adverse impact on individuals and communities, the regional, national and global environment and the economy of the nation.

We would urge you to carefully read this document and join with us to see that the President's plan as presented will not be implemented. We must have another option that gives people and families the same considerations as animals and plants.

Best regards,



Pat Anderes
Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 16, 1993

Mr. and Ms. Ron and Cheryl Allen
25715 50th Avenue E.
Graham, WA 98338

Dear Mr. and Ms. Allen:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding President Clinton's Forest Management Plan. It was good to hear from you.

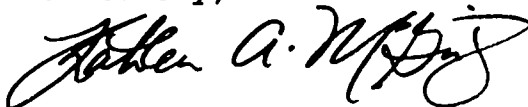
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I certainly appreciate learning your views about this very important matter. We continue to seek a Forest Plan that is scientifically-sound and legally responsible and will provide a sustainable harvest.

Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me.

Sincerely,



Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

Sept 13, 1993

Dear Mrs. McGinty

This letter is in regards to the ancient forests and "Option 9", a proposed protection plan.

We believe there should be no logging inside the reserve system.

We feel we need higher viability standards for these forest and fish. "Option 9" provides viability standards of 75% for fish and forests. There should be enough to guarantee their survivability and protect future fisheries.

A 90% viability standard for ancient forests and fish should be the minimum.

Sincerely,

Ron & Cheryl Allen
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member of Audubon

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 16, 1993

Mr. Gregory Alper
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Santa Monica, CA 90405

Dear Mr. Alper:

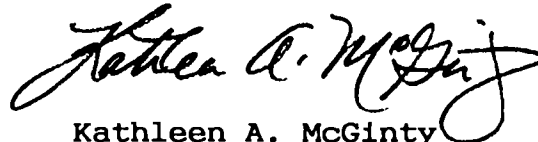
Thank you for your recent letter regarding your thoughts about the proposed legislation H.R. 1627 on pesticide regulation.

As you know, I share President Clinton's commitment to preserving our environment. The Environmental Protection Agency recently announced a proposal for comprehensive reforms of the nation's pesticide and food safety laws. This is a result of a joint study of the EPA, the USDA, and the FDA to update the existing laws of 20 years ago. It calls for a stricter standard of a "reasonable certainty of no harm" for food safety across the boards, including specific provisions not only to protect infants and children, but also to achieve a reduction in the overall use of pesticides in the United States. We feel these actions are a significant step towards a safer food supply.

I certainly appreciate learning your views with regard to H.R. 1627. Rest assured that this Administration will continue its efforts to protect the health of our nation's people and the integrity of our food supply.

Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me.

Sincerely,



Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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GREGORY ALPER

MUSICAL COMPOSITION, SCORING & PRODUCTION

October 5, 1993

Dear Ms. McGinty

Please:

Stop **HR 1627** that weakens protection from carcinogens in food.

Encourage efforts to reduce reliance on agricultural pesticides.

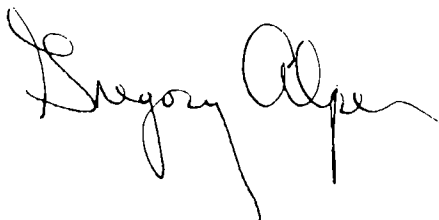
Provide support to farmers who need info and assistance in implementing alternative, non-chemical pest management practices.

Reject the "negligible risk" standard that accepts a prescribed number of cancer victims.

Keep cancer causing pesticides out of food. Prevent cancer and other health problems.

Support legislation that protects children and other sensitive populations from harmful pesticide residues in food.

Thank you for listening.
Sincerely,



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 12, 1993

Mr. Mike Arnett
2305 Blue Quail Pass
Edmond, OK 73013

Dear Mr. Arnett:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding President Clinton's Forest Management Plan. It was good to hear from you.

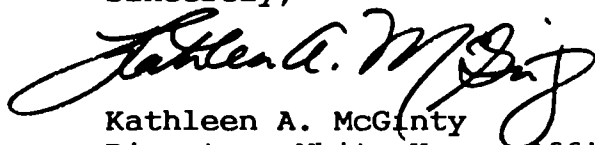
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Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me.

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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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U.S. Forest Service
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To Whom It May Concern:

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USDA
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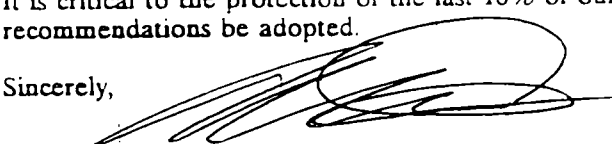
Kathleen Mc Dinty
Director, Office of Environmental
Policy
Room 350
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Washington, D.C. 20501

Alternative 9, the preferred alternative in the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement on Management of Habitat for Species Within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl, does not adequately protect fish and wildlife species or forest values dependent upon a sustainable Ancient Forest ecosystem in Oregon, Washington and California. The following recommended changes are consistent with credible science and in compliance with national environmental laws:

- An actual Ancient Forest Reserve that protects all ecologically significant old-growth must be created. The Reserve system must prohibit all logging related activities, such as logging operations for salvage, timber thinning and road building.
- Additional protection is needed for streams and fish habitat outside of Reserve areas.
- Federal lands outside of Forest Reserves should not be sacrificed. The lands should be managed to provide habitat conditions for spotted owl dispersal. In addition, non-Reserve lands should be managed on a minimum of 180-year timber cutting rotations.
- The plan must insure that fish and wildlife species have a "very high" (95% probability) chance to survive over a 100-year period. The National Forest Management Act states that federal managers must insure a species' survival and viability.
- The process for making decisions about the disposition of land should reaffirm the right of every American to participate fully in decisions affecting our public lands.

It is critical to the protection of the last 10% of our Ancient Forests and the species that depend on them that these recommendations be adopted.

Sincerely,


(signature)

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(city, state, zip)

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 12, 1993

Mr. Richard E. Ambrose, Ph.D.
308 East Drive
Oak Ridge, TN 37830

Dear Mr. Ambrose:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding President Clinton's Forest Management Plan. It was good to hear from you.

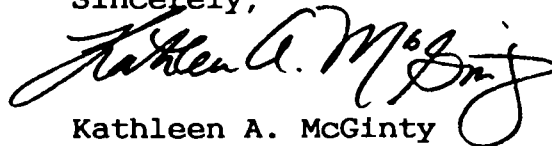
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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308 East Drive
Oak Ridge, TN 37830

October 26, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty, Director
Office of Environmental Policy, Room 350
Old Executive Office Bldg
Washington, DC 20501

**REFERENCE: Draft Environmental Impact Statement on Ancient
 Forests in the Pacific Northwest**

Dear Ms. McGinty:

Enclosed is a letter I wrote to President Clinton regarding the
DEIS on the Ancient Forests in the Pacific Northwest. Please
consider my comments in this courtesy copy of the letter to you.
Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard E. Ambrose".

Richard E. Ambrose, PhD
Wildlife Biologist

308 East Drive
Oak Ridge, TN 37830

October 26, 1993

President Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20500

**REFERENCE: Draft Environmental Impact Statement on Ancient
 Forests in the Pacific Northwest**

Dear President Clinton:

I have recently reviewed the DEIS on Ancient Forests in the Pacific Northwest. As a wildlife biologist, I am afraid I cannot support the preferred alternative (Alternative #9). My reasons for this are as follows:

1. The plan takes no steps to protect the ancient forests on the east side of the Cascades, where some of the heaviest logging continues, but only calls for a scientific study. Immediate protection is needed for the eastern Cascade forests.
2. Even though it looks as though there is a high probability that the Spotted Owl and Marbled Murrelet would survive under this plan, the viability of the Pacific Salmon is only 70%. In light of the importance of the Pacific Salmon to the Northwest fisheries, it is strange that Alternative 9 does not provide more protection. The Pacific Salmon's survival should be at a significantly higher viability level.
3. A maximum of 1.2 billion board feet logged annually in "owl forests" is still too high. A maximum of less than 1 billion board feet should be the goal.
4. The (a) thinning of younger trees and (b) salvaging of trees deemed to be biologically dead should not be permitted in the 7.1 million acre reserve systems. The integrity of ancient forests in large part depends on the dead and young trees remaining in the forest. I would also question the ability of the Forest Service to prevent significant damage to these forest reserves while harvesting the "young and dead" trees. There should be at least 10 million acres (including all "roadless" forests) as reserves, within which there would be no logging of any kind.

Although Alternative 9 falls far short of what is needed to adequately protect these forests and their wildlife, the following are good points of the plan:

1. It seems to be based in large part on science and is only partly the result of political pressure.
2. It provides \$1.2 billion to assist timber-dependent communities
3. It eliminates tax breaks that encourage raw-log exports.
4. it contains no language that allows noncompliance with environmental laws.

I think the plan presented needs to be improved to ensure the survival of the remaining 10% of our ancient forests. I urge the adoption of the suggestions and retention of the positive points of the plan noted in this letter. These forests, in my opinion, are a national treasure over which our generation has stewardship. Let's not abuse our privilege. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Richard E. Ambrose, PhD
Wildlife Biologist

cc Interagency SEIS Team
Jim Lyons, Asst. Sec'y Natural Resources and Environment, USDA
Kathleen McGinty, Director, Office of Environmental Policy
The Honorable Jim Sasser
The Honorable Harlan Mathews