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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Ms. Denise Bull
120 S. Avenue 6
Canton, IL 61520

Dear Ms. Bull:

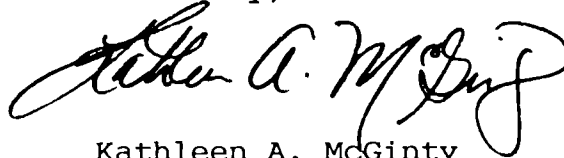
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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Aug 24, 1993

Kathleen McGinty
Deputy Director to the President
and Director, Office of
Environmental Policy
Old Executive Bldg - Rm 360
17th St + Pennsylvania Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms McGinty,

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Sincerely
Denise Bull

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Mr. Evan E. Bilthuse
614 W. Edwards
Springfield, IL 62704

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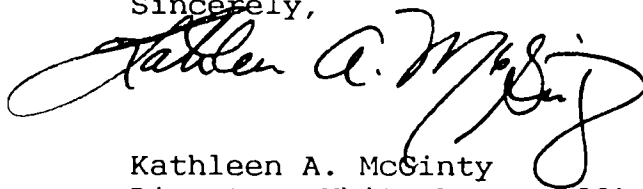
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We need to see to it that our dependence on foreign oil is less, and ethanol is part of the solution.

sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Frank R. Ballinger.

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WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Ms. Maralee Burgard
R.R. 1, Box 68
Lewistown, IL 61542

Dear Ms. Burgard:

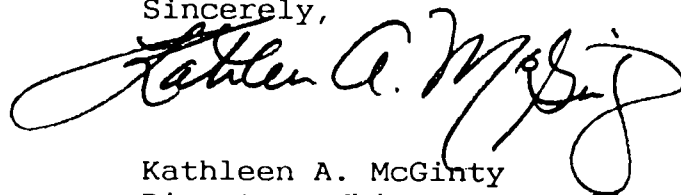
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as you work to improve the economy
of our country, please remember rural
America. Ethanol is environmentally
friendly and is produced for the corn
grown here in Illinois and throughout
the Midwest. Ethanol utilizes one in
every six rows of corn I grow. Please
allow ethanol for treatment in the
Clean Air Act.

Marilee Burgess
P.O. 1, Box 68
Leicester, IL 61542

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Mr. Denny Bogner
R.R. 1, Box 204
Sparland, IL 61565

Dear Mr. Bogner:

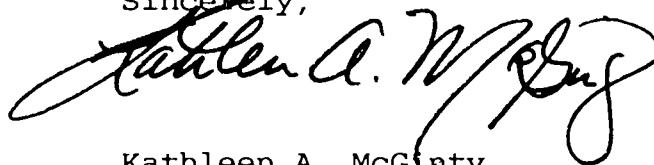
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August 16, 1993

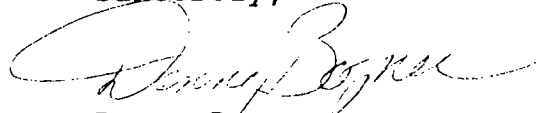
Kathleen McGinty
Deputy Director to the President
& Director, Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building - Room 360
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Washington, D.C. 20500

I am a farmer from Illinois and I have a very important issue I wish to address. It is past time for ethanol blended fuel to be given a clean bill of health and be able to compete unrestricted with other fuels to improve carbon monoxide and ozone air quality.

The Council of Great Lake Governors has completed a study of air quality effects of ethanol and MTBE in reformulated gasoline in the Lake Michigan Region. This unbiased study conclusively shows a 10% ethanol blend of gasoline with a one pound Reid vapor pressure increase is as good "if not better" as the oil industry's oxygenated, MTBE. We don't need any more science or political rhetoric. The American Farmer needs action from the U.S. E.P.A. to react to the science and allow ethanol equal access to the marketplace.

Ethanol currently adds 22 cents per bushel to my corn crop according to a study by the University of Illinois. Corn prices could increase by another 25 cents per bushel if full potential of ethanol expansion is realized. I do not wish for government subsidies, but want a strong market for my commodity. With a fair ruling from U.S. E.P.A. this wish would be much closer to reality.

Sincerely,



Denny Bogner

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Mr. James Bull
R.R. 2, Box 152
Lewistown, IL 61542

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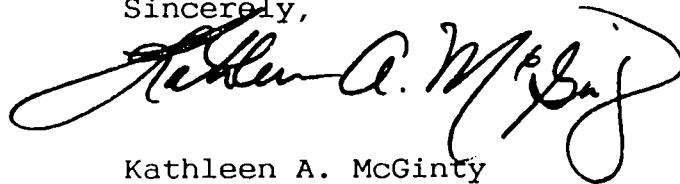
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August 19, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty
Deputy Director to the President and Director
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building - Room 360
17th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue., NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. McGinty,

As you work to improve the economy of the country as well as the food producers of America, do not overlook the importance of ethanol. The market for ethanol is being threatened by misinterpretation of The Clean Air Act as passed by Congress.

With 17% of America's corn crop being used for fuel production, ethanol adds 25 cents per bushel to the price of corn paid to farmers. That means \$25,000 income to my operation, to pay income tax upon and with which to make purchases and further stimulate the economy.

The council of Great Lakes Governors recently announced the results of an unbiased, scientific study that found ethanol as good or better than the oil industry's answer to clean air MTBE.

Remember the Administrations goal "...expand the use of ethanol to increase American jobs, reduce our dependence on foreign oil, and improve the environment."

Support ETHANOL!!!

Thank You,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James R. Bull".

James R. Bull
Rural Route 2 Box 152
Lewistown, IL 61542

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Mr. and Ms. Bucklin
Springfield Holiday RV Center
P.O. Box 11231
Springfield, IL 62791

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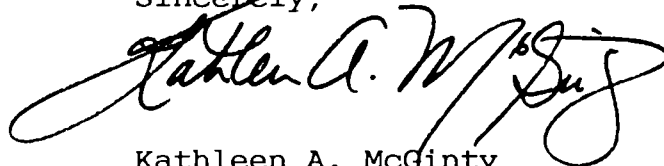
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8/14/93

Re: Clinton/Gore speeches fall of '92,
concerning their promise to expand
the use of Ethanol.

Let's make farmers more self-sufficient —
and the country — by allowing Ethanol
the same privileges as the oil industry.
Studies show it is no more harmful
than oil.

N. J. Bucklin
Joyce Bucklin

(Former Bureau members)



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Mr. David Boyd
BB Farm
422 West Milton Avenue
Lewistown, IL 61542

Dear Mr. Boyd:

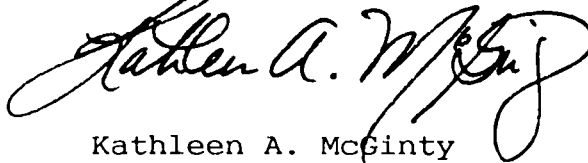
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16 August 1993

BB Farm
422 West Milton Avenue
Lewistown, Illinois 61542

Kathleen McGinty
Deputy Director to the President
and Director, Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building - Room 360
17th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms McGinty:

The Council of Great Lakes Governors recently announced the results of a scientific study that found ethanol is as good and possibly better than the oil industry's answer to clean air, MTBE. This was an unbiased study and was conducted with the assistance of state air pollution agencies in the Great Lakes region, the Argonne National Laboratory, and with inputs from the USEPA.

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Some time ago, as Ethanol was being debated, and the Oil Industry was exerting pressure, a Congressman remarked that the Ethanol argument was just another plum for the American Farmer to reap a benefit from. I think it is about time that Americans as a whole realize some benefit from the action of Congress. If ethanol is beneficial to the environment and the Clean Air Act, then whether it benefits the American Farmer or not is not a matter for debate. Certainly, isolating Wood Alcohol will benefit the oil industry.

Considering the devastation that the 1993 flooding will cause to the farming industry as a whole in the midwest, the support of Ethanol is direly needed.

Respectfully submitted,



BB Farm
422 West Milton Avenue
Lewistown, Illinois 61542

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Ms. Eleanor Bower
73 Third Avenue
Waterford, NY 12188

Dear Ms. Bower:

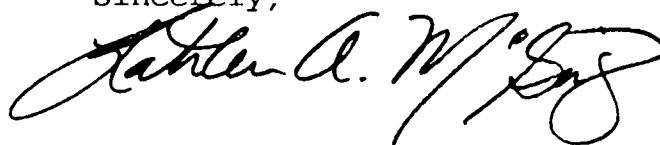
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Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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August 3, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Bldg., Rm. 158
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

The endangered Siskiyou Forest in southwestern Oregon desperately needs your help. This is the largest, most intact Ancient Forest ecosystem on the West Coast, with almost 300,000 acres of unprotected roadless wildlands. It is a global treasure, a genetic Noah's Ark containing the most diverse coniferous forest in the world. Scientists have recognized this region as one of the biologically most valuable areas in all of North America. Please do not allow these irreplaceable wild areas - so important as habitat for owls, salmon and scores of rare plants - to be sacrificed for a few more years of jobs and profits for the timber industry.

Please permanently withdraw all Siskiyou National Forest Roadless Areas from logging and development. And, please create an Ancient Forest Reserve System, enforce our environment laws, and provide transitional assistance and forest restoration projects for displaced timber workers.

Sincerely,

Eleanor Bower

Eleanor Bower
73 Third Avenue
Waterford, NY 12188

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Dr. Christina Biaggi
9 Ludlow Lane
Palisades, NY 10964

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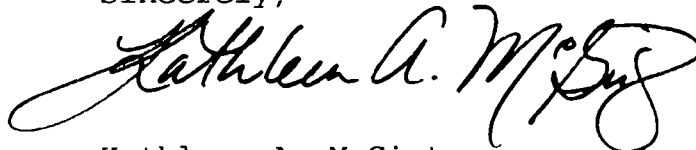
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Dr. Cristina Biaggi
9 Ludlow Lane
Palisades, NY 10964

August 4th, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Bldg., Rm 358
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I am writing to ask you for your support in making the Siskiyou National Forest Roadless Area in Oregon permanently free from the threat of logging and development.

By establishing an Ancient Forest Reserve System, enforcing our environmental laws and providing transitional assistance and forest restoration projects for displaced timber workers this can be accomplished. There are also many abandoned structures strewn across the country that can be salvaged for their reusable resources to help meet the needs of logging companies or other interested parties.

The Siskiyou Forest is the largest most intact Ancient Forest ecosystem on the west coast, with almost 300,000 acres of unprotected roadless wilderness. Biologically it is one of the most valuable areas in all of our continent.

Please do not allow these irreplaceable wild areas to be sacrificed for a few more years of jobs and profits for the timber industry.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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Cristina Biaggi

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Mr. James Bursma
President
Homestead Timbers
14840 16th Avenue
Marne, MI 49435

Dear Mr. Bursma:

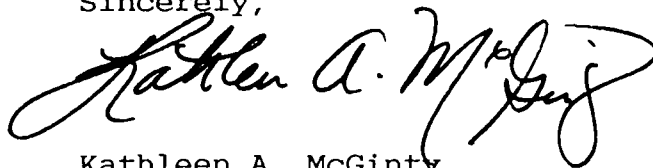
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14840 16th Ave. Marne, Mi. 49435-9605 616-677-5262 FAX: 616-677-2025

July 28, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty, White House Office of Environmental Policy

I own Homestead Timbers which employs 5 employees in Marne, Michigan. I am writing to you out of a serious concern for myself, my employees and my customers. Today we are in desperate need of an adequate sustainable timber supply. We all saw the impact of an artificially constrained timber supply with the skyrocketing lumber prices this past spring. If what I have heard about the administration's proposed solution to the timber crisis is correct, those prices were but a harbinger of what will surely come.

It is my understanding that the President will shortly recommend the adoption of Option 9 as his preferred solution to the current gridlock in the Pacific Northwest. "Option 9" would reduce harvest levels on federal forest lands in the affected region to an average of 1/2 billion board feet. This is down from the historic level of 5.2 billion board feet. In addition it would cost over 85,000 direct and indirect jobs in the region as well as tens of thousands more construction jobs throughout the United States and dramatically affect lumber prices, risking the fragile recovery of the nation's economy.

When President Clinton convened the Forest Summit in April he promised to find a solution. I never dreamed his recommendation would be to suggest a harvest level lower than any figures proposed last year by the preservationists. I implore you to urge the President not to adopt "Option 9".

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Bursma".

James Bursma, President

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September 2, 1993

Ms. Penny Blubaugh
5552 N. Monitor
Chicago, IL 60630

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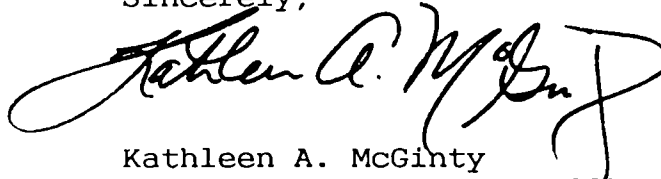
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Ms Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
Room 360, Old Executive Office
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

07/23/93

Dear Ms McGinty,

As the President is finalizing his plan for federal forests, please ask him to keep in mind the rich and varied ecosystems he will be protecting. We can still save the land for future generations. Please ask him to protect all remaining ancient forests, stop the export of raw logs and provide economic assistance to rural communities in the Northwest. We can have a sound, credible and legally responsible plan by following these guidelines.

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Penny Blubaugh
5552 N Monitor
Chicago, IL 60630

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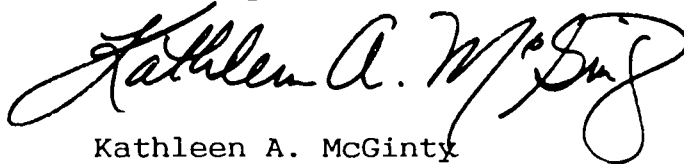
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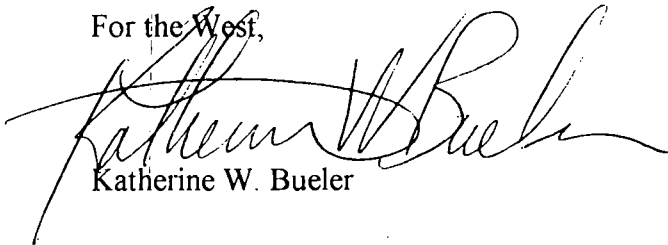
Dear Ms. McGinty,

When Rome was founded, houses were built of huge timbers. At the end of the Roman Empire the Romans were importing wood from North Africa to fire bricks for building houses. Economic devastation from deforestation and other such foolishness has been documented for literally thousands of years.

There are so many areas that should be protected. But today I am writing to urge you to do everything in your power to permanently withdraw all Siskiyou National Forest Roadless Areas from logging and development. This part of southwestern Oregon, the largest, most intact ancient forest ecosystem on the west coast (with 300,000 acres of unprotected roadless wildlands) is a global treasure not only because of its size, but because it is the most diverse coniferous forest in the world, having escaped glaciation and other major disturbances over so much time.

I am very worried about the future of this country, of humankind, of life on earth. We must stop our reckless squandering, the greatest folly the earth has ever seen. Life over the next century is already going to be very difficult for our children and grandchildren. Let's stop digging the hole even deeper.

For the West,



Katherine W. Bueler

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Mr. and Ms. John Bondi
6565 Lake Avenue
Williamson, NY 14589

Dear Mr. and Ms. Bondi:

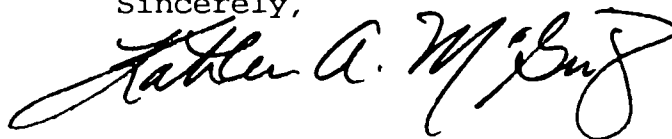
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

8/5/93

Dear Mrs Katie McGinty,

We must at all costs protect all
the remaining ancient forests!

Stop the export of raw logs!

Exporting only finished wood products,

Keeping processing jobs here at home -

Where they belong!

Provide economic assistance and
investment opportunities for rural fish
and timber related communities in the
North West.

Sincerely, Tracy + John Bondi

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Ms. Danielle Bachant
Route 1, Box 1167
Sautee-Nacoochee, GA 30571

Dear Ms. Bachant:

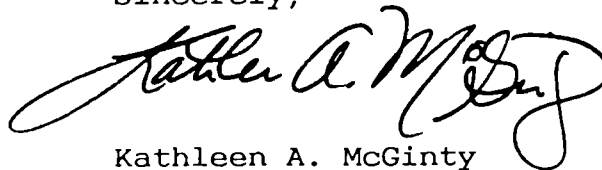
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Miss Danielle Bachant
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Sautee-Nacoochee, GA 30571

July 29, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
Room 360, Old Executive Office
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. McGinty,

I am writing to ask you to assist the President in his plan of developing a scientifically sound, ecologically credible and legally responsible plan for the nation's Pacific Northwest forests. All of our forests are priceless gifts that need protection. If they are eliminated, everyone will suffer.

It is also disturbing that the sacrificed trees are usually "wasted" in the export of raw logs. Prices are much too low for timber exports, and processing jobs of finished wood products should be kept in the United States. If our trees are cut down, the people of this country should receive the most benefit from them. For those affected by logging restrictions, economic assistance and investment opportunities should be the government's top priority.

Yours Truly,

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September 2, 1993

Mr. Ross Burton
2215 Baubury Drive
Enola, PA 17025

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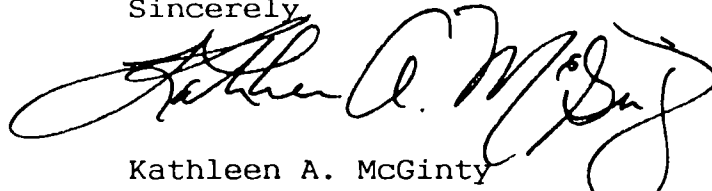
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2215 BANBURY DRIVE
ENOLA, PA 17025
August 18, 1993

PRESIDENT Bill Clinton

ATTN: Kathleen McGinty, Dir. Environmental Policy

Room 358

Old Executive Office Building

17th St. + Pennsylvania Ave., NW

Washington, D.C. 20501

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

I URGE you to CONTINUE to PURSUE
a solution in the Pacific Northwest
that will PRESERVE our forest ~~to~~ ecosystem.
Your leadership is needed to spearhead
legislation in Congress that will
hopefully satisfy ^{both} environmentalists and loggers
in Washington and Oregon.

In the meantime, please consider
the almost non-existence of National
Parks in the Appalachian Mountains of
the eastern United States. There are all
kinds of possibilities. Taking action
now, to preserve these lands, will prevent

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situations like the one in the Pacific Northwest. With all of the adversity you've faced in passing your Budget, ~~to~~ to establish a National Park in the EAST would be a refreshing diversion and one welcome by the large population centers that reside along the Eastern Mountains and Seaboard

Thank you for your consideration,

ROSS BURTON

Ross Burton

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Ms. Geraldine T. Baca
St. Francis EAH Center
P.O. Box 91703
Albuquerque, NM 87199

Dear Ms. Baca:

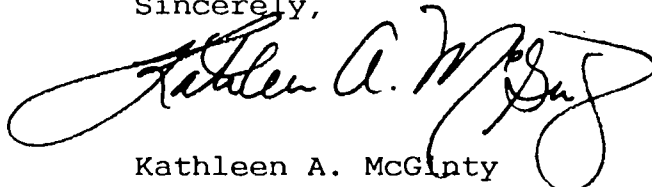
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13 August 1993

St. Francis Environmental
Awareness Healing Center
Geraldine T. Baca
PO Box 91703
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Director-Office of Environmental Policy
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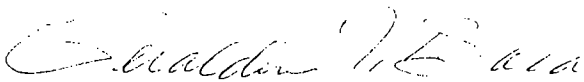
Many Greetings from New Mexico!

As the founders of the St. Francis Center, we have dedicated our lives to promoting environmental awareness on a number of levels, mostly domestic. We offer a lecture series called environmental Awareness as a Lifestyle which encourages lifestyle changes in the areas of Eating, Housing, Transportation and Consumerism. In our last lecture, we encouraged our fellow Americans to buy goods produced locally to stimulate our own economy.

Our president's pledge to develop a plan which will protect our forests in the Pacific NW has come to our attention. To stimulate our own economy, we encourage him to stop the export of all raw logs. We urge further that only finished wood products be exported. In the face of the changes that may occur, the rural fish and timber communities may be affected. Those designing the plan will be most kind to consider the economic condition of these communities and offer economic assistance and investment opportunities where needed and/or applicable. In regards to the Pacific NW forest plan and the president's pledge, we ask for careful consideration of the land, the people and our economy.

Beyond that, we take this opportunity to urge further that all longstanding forests be protected by law. We have in our lifetimes seen lands ravaged by the effects of poor planning. We do have the skills--scientific, economic and environmental to manage our resources so that future generations may enjoy natural beauty which is our heritage here in the USA. May we see our forests preserved for posterity that they might praise us for our wisdom instead of weeping over our voracious greed.

Sincerely,


Geraldine T. Baca
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Ms. Christine Bogdon
51 Garden Street #909
Hoboken, NJ 07030

Dear Ms. Bogdon:

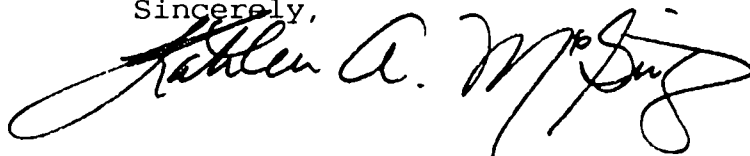
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August 17, 1993

Christine Bogdon
51 Garden Street #909
Hoboken, New Jersey 07030

Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy

Mr. Tom Collier
Chief of Staff, Department of Interior

Mr. Jim Lyons
Assistant Secretary of Natural Resources and Environment
Department of Agriculture

To the President's environmental advisors:

As a concerned citizen, and I emphasize both concerned and citizen, I am writing concerning environmental protection and representation in Washington, D.C.

I understand that option number nine is or was "on the ballot" so to speak allowing logging of the small and rapidly decreasing ancient forest population. I also understand that there is pressure on both sides: big business vs. environmentalists.

However, answer me this; With 10% of Northwest Ancient Forests remaining, (which will be logged out with in 10 years and therefore loggers will lose jobs anyway), why can't we attack the problem proactively?

Must we always be reactive, i.e., wait until the problem is too severe to ignore (uh hum...the deficit)?

As the world changes, so will people's jobs. That does not mean that people must lose jobs, only change jobs. The same people who log, can now help to rebuild our forests, clean up the area, or move to some other position on the opposite side of the industry with help from the government agencies.

Change is inevitable and the government needs to stick to some of its promises/laws. There are laws existing to protect the environment and both the Clinton administration and its agencies must enforce them.

. Discard Option Number Nine,

. We need/want a plan to create permanent ancient forest reserves, not reserves in which logging is permitted,

. Clinton's administration must obey existing environmental laws; no sufficiency language, and

. We want President Clinton to live up to the promises he made at the Forest Conference.

Thank you for your time and support.

Sincerely,



Christine Bogdon
Concerned Citizen

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 21, 1993

Ms. Shari D. Bitterman
219-05 74 Avenue
Bayside, NY 11364

Dear Ms. Bitterman:

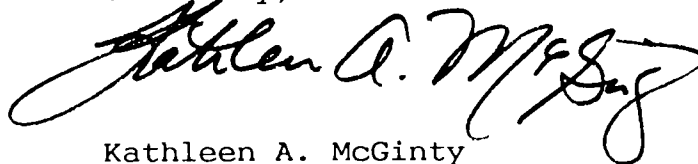
This is to notify you that the Vice President forwarded your letter to my office. It was good to hear from you, and I appreciate your interest in the Office on Environmental Policy (OEP).

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. We have been busy in recent months on many initiatives, including Executive Orders on Pollution Prevention, Recycled Goods, and Energy Efficient Computers. In his Earth Day Address, President Clinton announced this Administration's commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by the year 2000. The OEP, in conjunction with the relevant Federal agencies, is currently preparing an action plan to accomplish this goal.

I certainly appreciate your interest in the efforts of my office. For your information, I have enclosed some information on several OEP initiatives.

Again, thank you for contacting me.

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

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May 24, 1993
219-05 74 Ave.
Bayside, N.Y. 11364

Dear Mr. Vice President:

Congratulations on your election as our new environmental Vice President. I am presently a graduate student at Queens College, Flushing, N.Y. in the Environmental Education Masters Program, and teach Grades 1-6 in New York City. I am interested in finding out more information concerning your new office on Environmental Policy. As a concerned environmental educator, I would to see your words put into action "before it is too late". After all our Earth is in the Balance.

I am anxiously awaiting your response.

Sincerely,
Shari D. Bitterman

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 21, 1993

Ms. Cynthia Ballard
2340 E. University #195
Tempe, AZ 85281

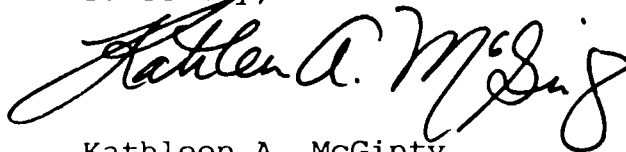
Dear Ms. Ballard:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your thoughts about the Animal Damage Control Act.

We are in the process of reviewing our policy with the Department of Agriculture and the Department of the Interior on this very important matter. I agree that further study of the options involved is necessary for an informed and balanced decision to be made. Be assured that we will give every consideration to your concerns as we look at this issue.

Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me.

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Cynthia Ballard
2340 E. University #195
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September 1, 1993

White House Office on Environmental Policy
Kathleen McGinty
Old Executive Office Bldg. Rm. 360
Washington, DC 20501

Attention: Kathleen McGinty

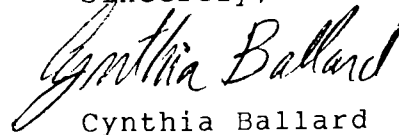
I am writing to voice my opinion concerning one area of Govt. waste, abuse and inefficient spending. Recently, I became aware of the activities of the ADC - Animal Damage Control program. It was shocking to discover that our tax-paying dollars are being funneled into a program which produces the useless, senseless killing of our wildlife. The Animal Damage Control exists as a blatant subsidy to the livestock industry. Taxpayers should not be expected to provide a zero-risk business environment for anyone. A more efficient government is needed in which public, not private interests are served first.

The ADC predator control program is neither cost-effective or biologically sound. Our taxpaying dollars have been used for poisons and control techniques to slaughter our wildlife. The majority of these techniques are indiscriminate in nature and place threatened and endangered species in jeopardy. These activities must be eliminated. It is about time for ranchers to assume responsibility for protecting their livestock and to use available non-lethal methods.

There are many people, besides myself, who are sickened by the treatment of our wildlife. It is time for the out-dated tax-supported federal war on wildlife come to an end and that government begin to protect our natural heritage.

I fully support the decision to cease all Animal Damage Management activities on districts where there is no current ADM plan or Environmental Assessment in place. I know some predator control is needed, but the irresponsible, senseless abuse of our precious wildlife being committed through ADC activities must come to an end. Myself and others do not want our tax-paying dollars spent on this agency or its senseless atrocities!

Sincerely,


Cynthia Ballard

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1993

Ms. Julie Baugnet
255 East Kellogg, #505
St. Paul, MN 55101

Dear Ms. Baugnet:

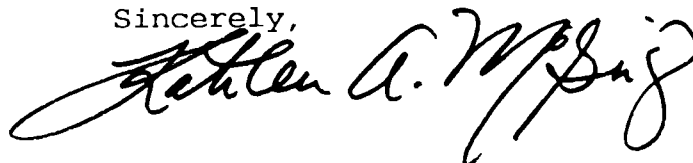
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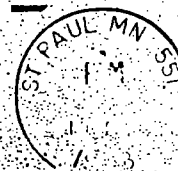
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IN DISCONTINUING ANY LOGGING!
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MS KATIE MCGINTY
OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL
POLICY
RM 360, OLD EXEC BLDG
WASH. D.C. 20501

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 7, 1993

Mr. John L. Benboom
10210 45 AV NE
Sauk Rapids, MN 56379

Dear Mr. Benboom:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your interest in the Executive Order on Recycled Goods.

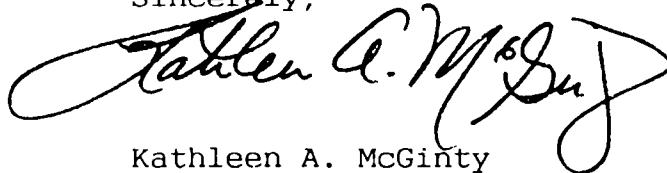
President Clinton and I are committed to the protection our nation's environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. Recycling continues to be one of our highest priorities.

This Executive Order will require federal agencies to begin procuring printing and writing paper containing postconsumer material. The purpose of this policy, among other things, is to provide an incentive for pulp and paper mills to use recovered materials, not just virgin materials, to make paper. This will provide markets for paper recovered from the municipal solid waste stream and ultimately result in substantially lower prices for recycled papers containing recovered materials.

I certainly appreciate learning your concerns about the implementation of this Executive Order. I believe that the Executive Order will adequately address the need for increased use and procurement of recycled and recovered materials.

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8/18/93

Dear Miss Katie McGinty,

my name is John Bemboom, I live and work near Sartell Minnesota. Since I work at the Champion paper mill in Sartell, I am very concerned about the president's executive order to have governmental agencies purchase (TCF) paper. This action will cost America thousands of jobs, since there is only one small sulfite mill in the entire U.S. that can produce TCF paper. So the president will be forcing the use of foreign paper. I worked hard on the President's Campaign since I am on the Benton County DFL Board, and now I see him making decisions like this that can only hurt the American economy. I thought our former president (Bush) gave away enough American jobs. We were counting on Mr. Clinton to bring some jobs back to the U.S.

I think before this issue is decided it needs a public airing on its own merits. If you people are so concerned about chlorine pollution why aren't you looking at the billions of swimming pools that use chlorine, and the water treatment plants? I think an ~~an~~ extensive study of this issue needs to be conducted before you

Decide to throw my job away along
with thousands of other people.

I would also like to remind
the President that many factions of
people helped to get him elected,
labor was one of these, it
wasnt only Gays and pro-abortion
people that got him elected.

Sincerely,

John L. Bemboom
10210 45 AV NE
Sauk Rapids MN.
56379

(612) 393-2535

THE WHITE HOUSE

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Dr. Elizabeth Anne Booth
6609 Shady Brook Lane, #3176
Dallas, TX 75206

Dear Dr. Booth:

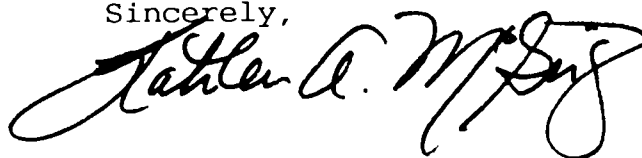
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Elizabeth Anne Booth, M.D.

6609 Shady Brook Lane, No. 3176

Dallas, Texas 75206

September 7, 1993

Kathleen McGinty
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
Room 350
Old Executive Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I am writing to express disappointment in President Clinton's plan for the ancient forests of the Pacific Northwest. It does not adequately protect the forests.

The reserves created under this plan would not actually be reserves because two kinds of logging, "thinning" and "salvaging", would be permitted. Salvaging is defined as the logging of dead trees, but the Forest Service often labels healthy trees as "dying" in order to meet timber sales quotas. The plan sets up no mechanisms for monitoring agency compliance with salvage logging guidelines. The forests need a real and permanent reserve system, with no salvage logging or thinning.

The plan sets a target cut level of 1.2 billion board feet per year. This level is much greater than the forests can sustain.

Under this plan viability, the probability that a species or ecosystem will survive, would average only 70 percent for the ancient-forest ecosystem and salmon, and would be even less for many other species, including the fisher and pine marten. This is unacceptable. We need a plan that sets high viability standards.

Narrowing the buffer zones around salmon streams does not make any sense at all, considering that populations of many salmon species are already crashing secondary to existing logging practices. Pacific Northwest salmon fisheries provide more jobs than the region's timber industry.

The plan takes no immediate steps to protect the forests east of the Cascades, where some of the heaviest logging continues. It also fails to mention the similarly threatened forests of the Sierra Nevada. Any worthwhile plan must include both of these areas.

There were some positive points in the plan. These include economic assistance to timber-dependent communities, and closing

...policies that encourage the export of raw logs. I applaud the
operation of the sound scientific principles.

...with huge debt service burden on the timber industry is
...aging levels of the past. More reasonable
...should be... to put together a plan
...for the entire region.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Anne Booth, M.D.
Elizabeth Anne Booth, M.D.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 21, 1993

Ms. Janet Boyd
189-10 37 Avenue
Flushing, NY 11358

Dear Ms. Boyd:

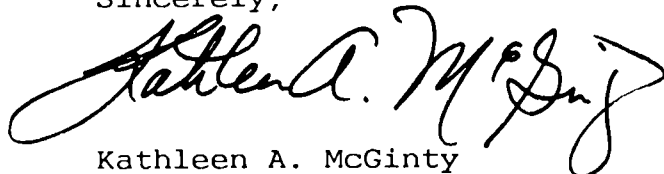
This is to notify you that the Vice President forwarded your letter to my office. It was good to hear from you, and I appreciate your interest in the Office on Environmental Policy (OEP).

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. We have been busy in recent months on many initiatives, including Executive Orders on Pollution Prevention, Recycled Goods, and Energy Efficient Computers. In his Earth Day Address, President Clinton announced this Administration's commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by the year 2000. The OEP, in conjunction with the relevant Federal agencies, is currently preparing an action plan to accomplish this goal.

I certainly appreciate your interest in the efforts of my office. For your information, I have enclosed some information on several OEP initiatives.

Again, thank you for contacting me.

Sincerely,

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

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189-10 37 Ave.

Flushing, N.Y. 11358

May 24, 1993

The Vice President
2203 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Vice President,

Congratulations on your election as our new environmental Vice President. I am presently a graduate student at Queens College in Flushing, N.Y. in the Environmental Education program and I teach 1st grade at P.S. 65 in the Bronx.

I am interested in finding out more information about your new Office on Environmental Policy. As an environmental educator, I would like to see your words put into action "before it's too late".
Afterall, our Earth is in the balance.

Sincerely,

Janet Bayl *
Janet Bayl

I anxiously await your reply.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1993

Mr. Peter Brezny
N.E. 1002 B Street
Pullman, WA 99163

Dear Mr. Brezny:

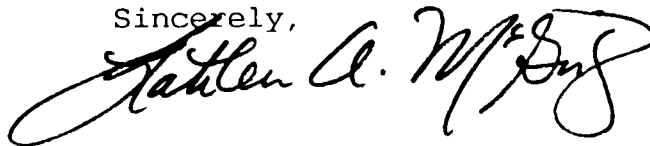
Thank you for contacting me regarding your concerns about the problems facing the Pacific Northwest.

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. After the conference, three working groups were established to work on developing a Forest Management Plan. These working groups included a team working on ecosystem management assessment, a team focusing on labor and community assistance, and a team working to improve the relationships among federal and state agencies in the region and to eliminate impediments that block coordinated action.

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. 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.

Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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Fax Transmittal Memo 7672

To Katie McGinty
Company Office of Envir. Policy

Location Washington, DC

Fax # 202/456-2710 Telephone # 202/456-6225

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Appropriate Personnel.

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Today's Date 9-1-93 Time 3:15 PST

From Peter Breznay

Company WSU - Chemistry

Location Pullman WA Dept. Charge

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August 4, 1993

Mr. President,

Allow me to begin by congratulating you on the good work you have been doing in Washington. You have started the US in a new direction which I hope will make things better for all in the future.

I would like to show full support for your scientific approach to determining the destiny of logging in our country. I request that you not support option number nine. The world needs a plan that creates permanent forest reserves where no logging is permitted period. At this time, there are enough well managed tree farms to produce all the timber the United States needs if we stopped shipping raw, unprocessed timber out of the country.

When you construct a new plan it is very important that it comply with existing environmental laws. One which includes sufficiency language is unacceptable.

Please do your best to live up to the promises made at the forest conference. And keep in mind a few points while making these decisions:

- Mechanization of the industry has cost far more jobs than just a reduction in logging would have.

- Elimination of shipping raw logs overseas could create just about as many jobs as will be lost by reducing logging in the national forests.

- Perhaps most importantly, we must remember that if we allow logging to continue at the present rate, the jobs which loggers and truckers hold now will be gone with in ten years anyway, but so will the forests.

A carefully crafted plan today--one which strategically reduces or eliminates logging in sensitive areas followed by a yearly reduction in logging as well as a reduction in raw timber export--would not only provide a smooth transition for those employed in the timber industry but leave the United States with what is left of a rich national heritage.

Compromise is a good policy. Please don't let it turn into a fine line and sometimes one which is hard to

appeasement a time and the consequences will
reveal.

Keep up the good work. This administration is most likely
the best thing that has happened to this country in a long time.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Peter Brezny".

Peter Brezny

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 7, 1993

Mr. Dave Bullock
1510 4th Avenue, S.E.
Grand Rapids, MN 55744

Dear Mr. Bullock:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your interest in the Executive Order on Recycled Goods.

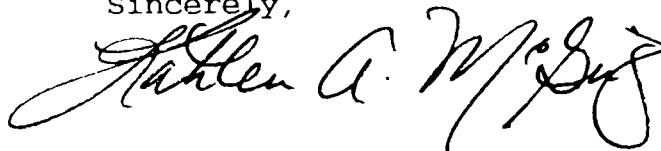
President Clinton and I are committed to the protection our nation's environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. Recycling continues to be one of our highest priorities.

This Executive Order will require federal agencies to begin procuring printing and writing paper containing postconsumer material. The purpose of this policy, among other things, is to provide an incentive for pulp and paper mills to use recovered materials, not just virgin materials, to make paper. This will provide markets for paper recovered from the municipal solid waste stream and ultimately result in substantially lower prices for recycled papers containing recovered materials.

I certainly appreciate learning your concerns about the implementation of this Executive Order. I believe that the Executive Order will adequately address the need for increased use and procurement of recycled and recovered materials.

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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Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to President
Director of White House Environmental Policy
Room 310 Old Executive Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty,

I am writing concerning a proposed Executive Order on federal procurement of recycled paper. I understand that the order will require federal agencies to purchase paper that contains at least 15% post-consumer material, rising to 25% by the year 2000, with some papers having an additional requirement of 50% total recycled content. I also understand that the order will require the purchase of chlorine-free paper.

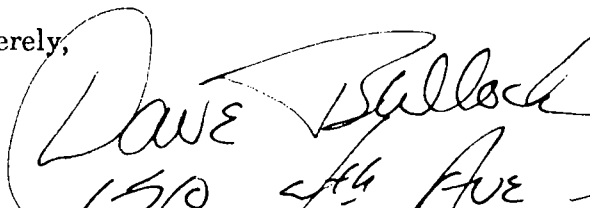
I support efforts to increase the purchase of recycled paper by the federal government. I believe the EPA guidelines established attainable goals which helped stimulate investment in recycling technology and equipment.

However, I am concerned that the standards in the proposed executive order may be unrealistically high for the basic printing and writing papers, some of which are produced by the company for which I work. As a consequence, companies like Blandin Paper Company may be seriously affected and our jobs jeopardized.

I also question the inclusion of a chlorine-free requirement. Such a requirement has nothing to do with recycled content, and in fact may be at cross-purposes with recycling.

As an employee of a company that makes paper for publications and catalogs, I ask you to recommend to the President that he not sign this executive order.

Sincerely,


1510 4th Ave SE
Grand Rapids, MN.
55744

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1993

Mr. Charles Burke
Route 1, Box 78K
Sargeant, MN 55973

Dear Mr. Nurke:

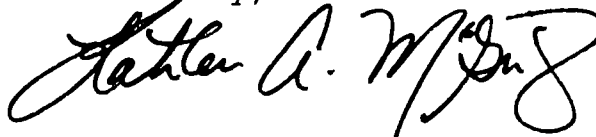
Thank you for contacting me regarding your thoughts about the use of ethanol.

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 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 clean-burning fuels.

Again, thank you for sharing this information with me.

Sincerely,

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

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Charles Burke
Rt. 1 Box 78K
Sargeant, Mn. 55973

Sept. 3, 1993

Kathleen Mc Ginty, Director
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building
Room 360
17th St
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. Mc Ginty,

In October 1992, President Clinton said, " A Clinton/Gore Administration will expand the use of ethanol to increase American jobs, reduce our dependence of foreign oil, and improve the environment."

Ethanol plants that are on the drawing board here in Minnesota will not be built if the Administration rules unfavorably regarding ethanol use in the Clean Air Act. Our rural economy needs jobs and an increasing, not a decreasing tax base. What better way for farmers to help themselves than through ethanol, while at the same time bettering clean air and the economy.

The market for ethanol and corn is being threatened by misinterpretation of the Clean Air Act as to how Congress passed it. This will seriously jeopardize the corn and ethanol industry and will slow economic recovery. Please see that ethanol is treated fairly with other fuels as the Clean Air Act is implemented.

The council of Great Lakes Governors recently announced the results of a scientific study that found ethanol is as good and possibly better than the oil industry's answer to the air. MTBE. This was an unbiased study and was conducted with inputs from the USEPA.

If ethanol is allowed in the clean Air Act, net revenues in Illinois will increase by about \$5 per acre. At the same time government outlays for deficiency payments will be reduced by \$1.5 billion per year. Ethanol .. a rural economic stimulus that can reduce federal spending. These results are from a recently completed study conducted by the university of Illinois's Agricultural Economics Department.

With today's global events, it is obvious our energy future has to come from increasing amounts of renewable resources. New technologies have proven what corn producers have believed for years. Ethanol production is not only energy efficient and environmentally friendly, but one of the solutions of our nation's energy needs. (From "Ohio Corn Talk")

The clean Air Act needs Ethanol in it. I hope you will support this position.

Sincerely,

Charles Burke
Charles Burke

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 21, 1993

Ms. Michele L. Burks
808 N. Avenue
La Grande, OR 97850

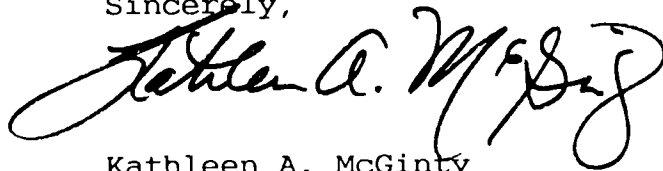
Dear Ms. Burks:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your thoughts about the Animal Damage Control Act.

We are in the process of reviewing our policy with the Department of Agriculture and the Department of the Interior on this very important matter. I agree that further study of the options involved is necessary for an informed and balanced decision to be made. Be assured that we will give every consideration to your concerns as we look at this issue.

Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me.

Sincerely,

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

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Michelle J. Burks
808 N. Avenue
La Grande, OR
97850

August 16, 1993

To Whom it May Concern,
I read an article on animal
Damage Control in a "Vegetarian Voice"
magazine and I was horrified.

ADC's predator control program is
not cost effective or biologically
sound. The killing methods are cruel
and inhumane. Ranchers should be
responsible for protecting their own
livestock. The ADC is a subsidy to
the livestock industry. Taxpayers should
not be expected to provide a zero
risk business to anyone. The government
should be protecting our natural
heritage, not the economic interests
of ranchers!

Michelle J. Burks

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 7, 1993

Mr. Gary Burns
Adjustment Comm. V
Independent Union of Paper
Mill Workers
1007 N.W. 4th Street
P.O. Box 306
Grand Rapids, MN 55744

Dear Mr. Burns:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your interest in the Executive Order on Recycled Goods.

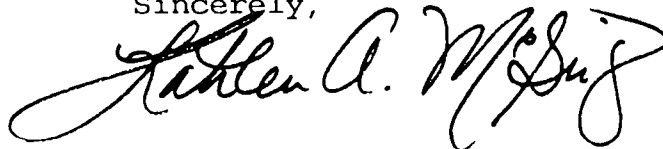
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Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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Independent Union of Paper Mill Workers

1007 N.W. 4TH STREET

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August 20, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to President
Director of White House Environmental Policy
Room 310 Old Executive Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

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I also question the inclusion of a chlorine-free requirement. Such a requirement has nothing to do with recycled content, and in fact may be at cross-purposes with recycling. It would be extremely difficult for companies to test all post consumer waste for chlorine content when we are getting in many tons of newsprint, cardboard, office paper, etc., for use in recycled papers.

As an officer of the Independent Union of Paper Mill Workers, I ask you to recommend to the President that he not sign this executive order.

Sincerely,

Gary Burns, Adjust. Comm. V
Independent Union of Paper Mill Workers

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 21, 1993

Mr. Carl Evertson
President
Ms. Nancy G. McFadden
Secretary
Bring Urban Recycling to Nashville Today
P.O. Box 158752
Nashville, TN 37215

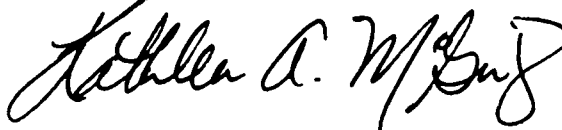
Dear Mr. Evertson and Ms. McFadden,

Thank you for your letter and information regarding the recent success of your Integrated Pest Management program in the Nashville schools. I apologize for the delay in my response.

As you may know, the Vice-President and I share President Clinton's commitment to the preservation of our environment. The White House Office on Environmental Policy and the Domestic Policy Council have been directing an interagency working group, which was established to look into the possible solutions to the concerns that you raise. This group will report on the new direction of the Administration's pesticide policy in the coming months. I have forwarded a copy of your information to this working group for their review.

Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with us. Your unfettered commitment to responsible pest management is to be commended. Best of luck in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,



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

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Bring Urban Recycling to Nashville Today



P.O. Box 158752
Nashville, Tennessee 37215

(615) 385-7214

July 6, 1993

Attn: Pam McElwee
Vice President Albert Gore
White House Office of Environmental Policy
Room 360 - Old Executive Office Building
Washington, DC 20500

*Yes
Can we
send our
national
pesticides
letter?*

Dear Vice-President Gore:

Thank you for your past work on the environment and human rights. We know that you are aware of the dangers of pesticides. BURNT's Nancy McFadden met with you while at NCAMP's 1992 Washington Conference regarding pesticides.

Recently, Ms. Shelly Cohen of your office requested information on BURNT's urban IPM project. Information is enclosed on our IPM workshop and campaign. Additional materials and an audio tape of an IPM interview on WPLN (Nashville public radio) will follow.

We are most interested in the NAS and Wiles reports, and find it imperative that we minimize children's exposure to pesticides in food and elsewhere. As Ms. Browner noted last week, an individual can be exposed in food, drinking water, home, lawns and elsewhere (including schools and daycare centers).

Last year BURNT (Bring Urban Recycling to Nashville Today) found that Nashville schools were allowing pesticide spraying during school, including dursban (chlorpyrifos), diazinon, and more. After we got the school board's attention, they committed to IPM (integrated pest management) for our schools.

BURNT is committed to completing the transition to urban IPM in Nashville. This June BURNT co-sponsored with Metro Schools IPM training for the schools' janitors, and a 3 day IPM workshop for pest control operators, bringing in Bill Currie and staff (national experts in urban integrated pest management.) The pest control officials for public housing, Metro parks, the health department, and the library system attended our workshop as did Billy Fields, the assistant to our juvenile court judge.

Recycled Paper

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The Nashville juvenile court judge, Andy Shookoff, is building an environmentally friendly juvenile justice building with less toxic materials and methods, and with adequate ventilation. He is committed to IPM for the new building. He knows that vulnerable children do not need exposure to unnecessary toxins.

Nationwide, the urban overuse of pesticides around children is a scandal. Daycare centers are often sprayed while children are in attendance. Many school systems do not hesitate to spray while children are there. A statement from the EPA and U.S. Department of Education recommending IPM for all day care centers and schools may serve to encourage appropriate change.

Our information is enclosed. Especially noteworthy as a resource is IPMI, located just outside of Washington D.C. Please do not hesitate to call IPMI or BURNT for ideas regarding urban pesticide use reduction.

Sincerely,

Nancy G. McFadden

Nancy G. McFadden
Secretary, BURNT

Carl Evertson

Carl Evertson
President, BURNT

cc: Dr. Beth Bowen (President, PSR), Dr. William Crook (Jackson, TN), Dr. Bill Wise (Metro Schools), Ms. Carol Browner, Sen. Jim Sasser, Sen. Harlan Matthews, Rep. Bob Clement, Sen. Douglas Henry, Mr. Andy Shookoff, Mr. Bill Currie, Mr. Jay Feldman (NCAMP).

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 21, 1993

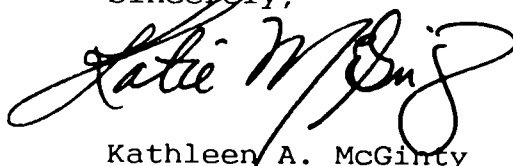
The Honorable Robert L. Barry
Ambassador
Embassy of the United States
of America
Jakarta - Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20521-8200

Dear Ambassador Barry:

Thank you for your kind attention to Dr. Sawhill's visit. He has told me of the success of the trip and of his great hopes for the possibility of working toward sustainable development in Indonesia. I'd very much appreciate the benefit of your views on this subject. I stand ready and anxious to help you in any efforts you have underway in this regard.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

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

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EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Jakarta, September 7, 1993

The Honorable Kathleen McGinty
Director
White House Office on
Environmental Policy
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ms. McGinty:

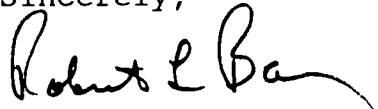
Thank you for your letter of August 20 concerning John Sawhill's stay in Indonesia, but I think we did well by him nevertheless. In addition to a call on President Soeharto, we co-hosted a joint reception with the Minister of Forestry and had a number of successful public events.

For my wife and myself, the highlight of Dr. Sawhill's visit was the trip we made together to Lore Lindu National Park in Sulawesi. This is the main Nature Conservancy project in Indonesia.

I know President Soeharto was impressed by the agreement Dr. Sawhill signed with the Indonesian Academy of Science to cooperate on questions having to do with the U.S. and Indonesian Biological Survey. And he appreciated Dr. Sawhill's willingness to use Nature Conservancy resources to promote exchanges between Indonesian environmentalists and those in Latin America who are involved with Nature Conservancy projects.

Dr. Sawhill and I discussed the possibility of getting the Vice President to Indonesia in 1994, with a dual agenda of promoting environmental issues and U.S. trade. I hope John can enlist your support for the idea. I think we can make progress on these issues here and that a visit by the Vice President would be a great success.

Sincerely,



Robert L. Barry
Ambassador



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 20, 1993

The Honorable Bruce Babbitt
Secretary
Department of the Interior
Interior Building
Washington, D.C. 20240

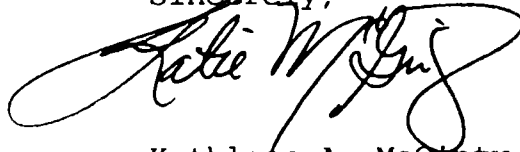
Dear Secretary Babbitt:

It is my understanding that you have received an invitation to deliver the keynote address at the Ninth Annual Environmental Careers Conference on October 22 and 23 in Tampa, Florida.

I would like to take this opportunity to bring to your attention that my office has participated in the Environmental Careers Organization's (ECO) Diversity Initiative Associate program. One of our summer interns who was a participant in this program did excellent work and represented ECO very well. I am pleased to pass this information along to you for your consideration. I can appreciate the demands on your time, but I did want you to know that this is a fine organization with a very important mission.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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

KAM/avl

cc: Kevin Doyle

THE ENVIRONMENTAL CAREERS ORGANIZATION

► August 30, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Director
White House Office on
Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building, Room 360
Washington, DC 20501



Dear Ms. McGinty,

Thank you for agreeing to put in a good word for us with Secretary Babbitt. As you know, we have invited him to deliver the keynote address at the Ninth Annual Environmental Careers Conference on October 22 and 23 in Tampa, Florida. The theme of this year's conference is the urgent need to diversify the environmental and conservation professions.

I am sure that Mr. Babbitt would be interested to know that your office has supported one of the 140+ talented students of color placed so far this year through ECO's Diversity Initiative Associate program and that there are plans for a second Associate this fall. It may interest you to learn that agencies of Mr. Babbitt's department (the Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, US Fish and Wildlife Service and US Geological Survey) will all be represented with exhibits and speakers at the Ninth National Environmental Careers Conference.

Thanks again for phoning, faxing or writing to Mr. Babbitt on our behalf. He will receive his formal invitation to speak tomorrow and we are hopeful that he will accept our invitation to address part of the next generation of environmental professionals.

If there are any questions that I can answer for you, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

Kevin Doyle
Kevin Doyle
National Director,
Program Development

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 23, 1993

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Bond:

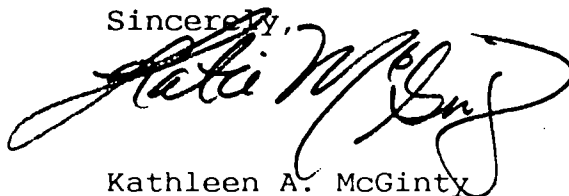
Thank you for contacting me regarding your thoughts about the restoration of levees damaged by the severe flooding earlier this summer. It was good to hear from you.

As you know, I share President Clinton's and Vice President Gore's commitment to the environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. Rest assured that this Administration understands the urgency of the situation caused by this summer's flooding and will continue to do everything we can to help the people of the region rebuild their lives and their communities as promptly as possible.

Enclosed as you requested is a copy of the guidance that we provided to the field offices of the several Federal agencies working on the flood control system. The fundamental purpose of that guidance is to ensure that the affected communities have available to them the broadest array of options in order to reduce risks to health and safety. We continue to work with all affected agencies, the states, and local communities to ensure that the overall response is as prompt and effective as possible.

Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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August 25, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Director, Environmental Policy Office
The White House
Washington, DC 20210

Dear Ms. McGinty:

It is my understanding that a memo has been prepared by your office and circulated to the Department of Agriculture, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and five other federal agencies. The memo deals with the Clinton Administration's policy on repair and restoration of levees damaged in the disastrous flooding of this summer.

I ask that you provide to my office a copy of the memo, inasmuch as it has been provided to other agencies of government.

Reports of this memo raise serious questions about the Clinton Administration's commitment to repairing levees on the upper Missouri and Mississippi river basins. Does the Administration favor creating wetlands by further breaking down damaged levees or not rebuilding them? Does the Administration intend to delay levee reconstruction to review its policy alternatives? Does the Administration give funding priority to wetlands creation over levee repair?

People in the Midwest want to get back to their homes and jobs and try to put this flood behind them. Until this 500-year flood, the levees along the rivers protected families, homes and communities from devastation for years. An Administration policy that abandons a secure system of levees for environmental experimentation along the river would jeopardize these families and communities.

Flood protection was in place when tens of thousands of Missouri

families built their homes, businesses and farms. It would be unfair and unconscionable to say that because of a freak of nature, that their flood protection is gone and will not be replaced.

Furthermore, any delays in rebuilding the levee system while the federal government debates a new flood control system could leave Midwesterners unprotected after the spring rains. While some in Washington may enjoy an academic discussion of river management and the environment, the situation is all too real and immediate to the people who have built their lives behind these levees.

Therefore, I would appreciate a clear explanation of the Clinton Administration's policy on repairing the levee system along the upper Missouri and Mississippi river basins, particularly the issues raised above. I hope that this is simply unclear, not a policy of retreat from a commitment to protect Midwesterners along our waterways.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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Christopher S. Bond

CSB/mbd

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 23, 1993

The Honorable Robert A. Borski
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Borski:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your interest in the Executive Order on Recycled Goods. It was good to hear from you.

President Clinton and I are committed to the protection our nation's environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. Recycling continues to be one of our highest priorities.

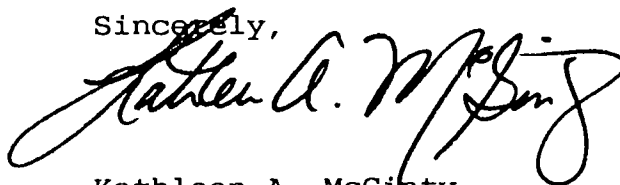
As you know, the Federal Government is the nation's largest customer of products and services. Harnessing this market to entice investments in "green" business practices and technologies is the main focus of the Executive Order. This Executive Order will strengthen the previous Federal Agency Recycling Order of October 1991 by requiring a revision of procurement guidelines for recycled products, establishing new content standards for recycled printing and writing paper, and encouraging federal agencies to set procurement goals for recycled products. These steps will create the proper incentives for businesses across our country to begin to produce environmentally sound products. As public concern for our natural environment increases, we in the Federal government need to take every step to ensure that the products and services we use help preserve and protect this national heritage.

The executive order will specifically require federal agencies to procure printing and writing paper containing postconsumer material. This will begin to create more stable markets for recyclable paper which is collected in towns and cities across the country. In addition, this provision will allow us to preserve natural resources and remove pressure from overflowing landfills.

I certainly appreciate learning your concerns about the implementation of this executive order, and specifically the paper bleaching process. Rest assured that we will continue to consult with members of Congress as we develop final language on this issue.

Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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August 6, 1993

Ms. Kathleen A. McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environment Policy
Old Executive Office Building, Room 360
17th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I am writing to express my concerns about the Administration's proposed Executive Order on Federal Recycling.

It has come to my attention that the Administration plans to include "totally chlorine free (TCF)" paper as an "environmentally preferable" product for government procurement. In addition, the Order may be issued in the coming weeks while Congress is out of session.

While I strongly agree with the need for a government-wide recycling policy, I question the process by which such policy decisions are being made. Because the Order may incur severe social and economic consequences for certain industries, I believe this action deserves thorough Congressional review. I would therefore encourage the Administration to provide access to open policy debate before the issuance of this Executive Order.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,


ROBERT A. BORSKI
Member of Congress

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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September 23, 1993

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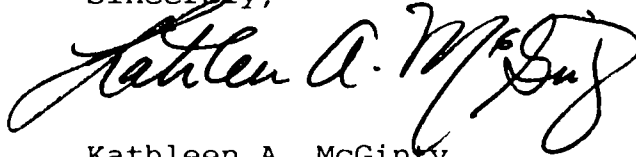
Dear Mitch:

Mr. Jack Quinn passed along a copy of your note of August 10 regarding the Ninth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties of the Convention on International Trade and Endangered Species (CITES). It was good to hear from you.

I certainly appreciate learning your thoughts about the possibility of holding this meeting in Fort Lauderdale or Tampa. Rest assured that we will keep your recommendations in mind.

Thanks again for your interest.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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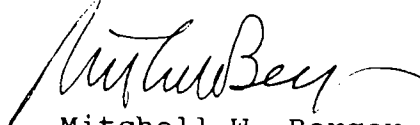
Jack Quinn, Chief of Staff
Office of the Vice President
Old Executive Office Building
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Jack:

In addition to Fort Lauderdale, Tampa is also being considered to host the Ninth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES).

Again, thank you for anything you can do to help us in this matter.

Cordially,


Mitchell W. Berger

MWB/el

David —
Let me know if this is worth
responding to. Thanks.
Trey

Trey — We're not going to get involved for CITES
For the animals maybe. Send him some stuff. Little

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Corr. File
-Trey

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Carol -

The luncheon was
really terrific. Thanks for
your kind invitation!

I look forward to
staying in touch with
the group - it really is
quite a network!

Sincerely,

Ruth McEwen

June 22, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director on Environmental Policy
The Old Executive Office Building
Room 360
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Katie:

EPA Administrator Carol Browner and I held a luncheon on March 31 with women who are leaders in the environmental movement. Our goal is to improve support and work together. Carol and I are hosting a follow-up luncheon on September 21, and both of us would be delighted if you could attend.

This opportunity for relaxed discussion and planning should be both pleasant and productive. It is my hope that we can get to know each other, creating better working relationships, as well as focus some of this time on supporting the advancement of women and promoting women's leadership in our field.

I will update you on the location of the luncheon and the attendees closer to the date. Please let my assistant, Sheila Carmody, know if you plan to attend, at (703) 841-4116.

Sincerely,



Carol Baudler
Vice President
Government Relations

CB/cc

cc: Ms. Carol Browner

September 28, 1993

Mr. David Behar
Executive Director
The Bay Institute of San Francisco
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Dear Mr. Behar,

Thank you for your letter regarding Delta smelt protection and the estuary of the Sacramento River-San Joaquin Delta-San Francisco Bay. I apologize for the delay in my response.

As you may know, earlier this year three agencies involved in the implementation of federal environmental statutes applicable to California water management signed an agreement to facilitate a coordinated federal effort. Under this agreement, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will engage in consultations and conferences under the Federal Endangered Species Act, review state water quality standards and federal guidelines under the Clean Water Act, and address fish and wildlife provisions of the Central Valley Project Improvement Act.

While this agreement is a step forward, even the most comprehensive engagement and cooperation among federal agencies cannot adequately address California's water management needs without input from the State of California and from water users. I appreciate hearing your concerns on this matter, and I encourage your group to participate actively in local efforts to protect this valuable ecosystem.

Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me.

Sincerely,


Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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May 4, 1993

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From: David Behar, Executive Director
Bay Institute of San Francisco 

Re: Delta smelt

As many of you know, the Bay Institute has put a lot of effort into winning protections for the Delta smelt, a key indicator species for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and the entire estuary, including San Francisco Bay.

For nearly ten years, state agencies such as the State Water Resources Control Board and Department of Water Resources have looked the other way as this species and several others relying on similar habitat declined to record low population levels. The State Fish and Game Commission ignored the recommendations of its own department and declined to list the Delta smelt on no less than three occasions, most recently last month.

Fortunately, after long and careful deliberation, on March 5, 1993 the Fish and Wildlife Service listed the species as threatened under the federal Endangered Species Act.

The concern today is that prompt protective actions are taken. These protections should be reflected in a biological opinion containing a reasonable and prudent alternative for state and federal water projects that includes:

1. Increased instream flows through the Delta and to the Bay.



2. Salinity standards in the species' key nursery habitat, Suisun Bay, at least as protective as those contained in EPA's previously published Bay/Delta standards drafts.

3. Pumping and reverse flow restrictions in the Delta that will moderate, if not entirely eliminate, entrainment of adult and larval Delta smelt.

These protections should also be incorporated into the critical habitat designation, due from FWS on October 3, 1993.

For your information, the enclosed comments by the Bay Institute on critical habitat designation for the smelt highlight these issues in greater detail.

We are greatly concerned about both the form and the lateness of this year's biological opinion. It appears to contain major loopholes that remind us of the National Marine Fisheries Service's disastrous 1992 winter-run salmon B.O., which failed to prevent the killing of approximately one-third of the entire winter-run year class. We must avoid the errors of that process in this case.

Not just the Delta smelt, but several other species with overlapping habitat depend on our success. Some of these species are currently in the ESA pipeline; others could easily be considered soon.

Due to the state's failure to take an preventive, ecosystem-wide approach to protect the fish and wildlife resources of the Bay/Delta, Delta smelt protections are now needed on an emergency basis to prevent extinction. Protecting this species, however, will go a long way toward restoring its heavily impacted ecosystem. These emergency steps can therefore contribute to the fulfillment of Secretary Babbitt's emphasis on protecting not just individual species, but ecosystems. By protecting the Delta smelt now, we will also be intervening to help prevent further ESA crises in the future.

If we can answer any questions, or if you have any comments, please call me at (415) 331-2303.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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September 28, 1993

Mr. Jerry Lee Bogard
President, SAM Corp
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Dear Mr. Bogard,

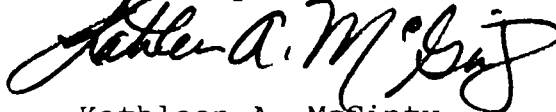
Thank you very much for your letter regarding the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). I apologize for the delay in my response.

As you know, President Clinton and I are committed to the preservation of the global environment. The White House has just completed a series of negotiations that have resulted in a package that we feel is uncompromising in its commitment to improve environmental protection in North America. The package has won the support of leading environmental organizations and we look forward to further support in the ensuing Congressional debates.

One of the aspects of the sidebar agreement of the NAFTA is a Commission for Environmental Cooperation that allows all three countries to effectively manage all environmental issues affecting all of North America. It also provides for dispute settlement procedures to ensure effective enforcement of environmental laws, including fines and trade sanctions if need be. We feel this addendum to the NAFTA sets the standard for integrating international trade and environmental protection goals.

As this package has already gone to Congress for approval, I would encourage you to contact your local Representatives and Senators regarding your technological suggestions. Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me in this matter of paramount international consequence.

Sincerely,



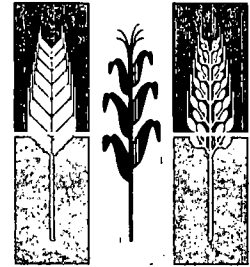
Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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May 5, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty

Deputy Assistant to the President
and Director for the Office of
Environmental Policy
Executive Office of the President
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Room 3600EOB
Washington, DC 20500



Dear Ms. McGinty:

Strategic Agricultural Management Corporation (SAM Corp) is a small business located in Memphis, Tennessee. SAM Corp, in partnership with Electronic Data Systems (EDS), began a study in May of 1992 that focuses on the environmental issues as outlined in the NAFTA Agreement.

In order to implement a meaningful environmental side agreement to NAFTA, the following issues must be addressed:

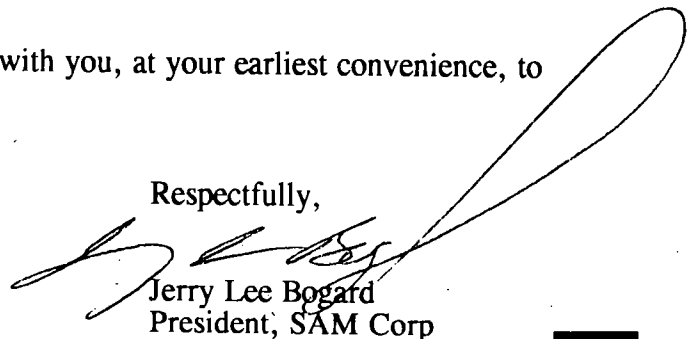
- o Standard format between the three countries
- o Data retrieval from site specifics
- o A central site for data processing
- o Cost effectiveness
- o Geographical Information Systems
- o Random spot checks (possibly using laptops), etc...

The conceptual solution we wish to present could potentially provide a road map for the sharing of information among the various government agencies. It is our belief that through such information sharing, these government agencies will realize fewer inefficiencies and reduced expenses.

We would like to discuss, with you, potential private sector solutions that can be made available to assist the administration in its search for solutions to the environmental side agreements.

SAM Corp and EDS request a meeting with you, at your earliest convenience, to discuss the issues and our ideas.

Respectfully,



Jerry Lee Bogard
President, SAM Corp



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THE WHITE HOUSE
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September 29, 1993

Mr. David Berry
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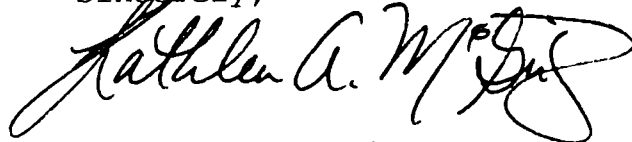
Dear Mr. Berry:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your trip to the Global Forum held last spring in Kyoto, Japan, as well as your thoughts about the International Green Cross. It was good to hear from you, and I apologize for the delay in my response.

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 about your interest in global environmental issues. I am forwarding a copy of your information to Mr. Jonathan Lash, co-chair of the President's Council on Sustainable Development.

Again, thank you for letting me hear from you.

Sincerely,

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

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4104 Mason Ridge Drive,
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July 19, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty, Director,
Office of Environmental Policy,
Room 360, Old Executive Office Building,
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Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. McGinty:

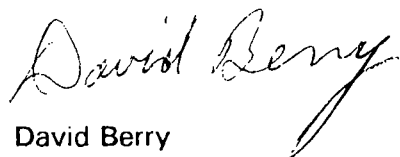
As the following letter to the Vice President explains, I travelled in April, as a private citizen to the Global Forum in Kyoto Japan to participate in meetings led by Mikhail Gorbachev initiating the International Green Cross. I found that as a program manager in the civil service, I was the senior U.S. government person present.

In June, while in The Netherlands on U.S. Government business, I visited the Green Cross headquarters in The Hague and saw a skeleton staff, mainly empty offices and from conversations and recent letters and speeches I was given, confirmed that the organization remains in a formative stage.

Because I perceive an opportunity for the United States to contribute to and influence the direction of the Green Cross, which could in turn forward our goals of discovering and supporting sustainable strategies for the planet, I am writing to you and Vice President Gore. Since my trip to Kyoto was not as a government employee, I am not sending this material on departmental letterhead.

I provided information on the Dutch National Environmental Policy Plan and other issues to John Shafer and Murray Liebman when they were in your office. I hope the President's Council on Sustainable Development they helped create leads to real steps toward a more responsible stewardship of our resources and a more harmonious relationship between our activities and the natural system.

Sincerely,

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David Berry

4104 Mason Ridge Drive,
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July 19, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty, Director
Office of Environmental Policy
Room 360, Old Executive Office Building,
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue,
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Dear Ms. McGinty:

At the Global Forum of Spiritual and Parliamentary Leaders on Human Survival, held in Kyoto in April, Martine Vaugel, an American sculptor, asked Mikhail Gorbachev, "Where the hell is the American Government at this meeting?". Mr Gorbachev responded that it was a busy season in Washington where he had stopped on his way to Japan but the U.S. administration and legislators were aware of and supported what we were doing in Kyoto.

Looking at the list of participants, I noticed that as a program manager in a federal agency, although invited to participate at my own expense as a supporter of indigenous peoples and owner of a small international trading company, I was the senior (in fact the *only*) member of the U.S. government in attendance. As such, I decided to report to the Vice President, since he has been a member of the executive committee of the Global Forum.

Present in Kyoto were spiritual leaders of major faiths including indigenous traditions, parliamentarians from many countries, scientists, artists and media representatives. The event mixed discussions with artistic events and moving contributions from spiritual leaders and was inspiring and empowering to those present. A highlight of the meetings was the formal launching of the International Green Cross by Mikhail Gorbachev. This included articulation and discussion of its main initiatives and the composition of its board of directors. (A copy of his speech is attached.) The three main focus areas of the Green Cross are:

- environmental disaster relief particularly in the third world where information, technology and funds to solve problems is lacking
- support of ecological law (appropriately the Green Cross headquartered in The Hague)
- value change required because our environmental problems result from a lack of awareness of the consequences of our actions and of our rush for material gratification without regard to efficiency or even the legitimacy of the "needs" we scramble to fulfill.

At one meeting, the Green Cross was described as a new baby born male, blue eyed and bald since so many directors were elderly white men. Mr. Gorbachev and director Thor Hyerdahl agreed with other participants that third world citizens, more women, indigenous peoples, and children should join the board of directors.

Indigenous peoples will be included since they maintain cultures that have not lost their

sense of being part of nature. In 1992, I worked successfully to bring a spokesman for the traditional Hopi Elders to speak at the General Assembly of the U.N. at the opening of the International Year for the World's Indigenous People so the recognition of the value of Native People's insights was particularly satisfying to me.

Children contribute a sense of personal involvement in the future and straightforwardness many of us adults habitually suppress. (A copy of an effective speech to the Global Forum by thirteen year old Severn Suzuki is attached.)

Mr. Gorbachev and the directors of the Green Cross were very open to ideas from the participants. A few weeks after the meeting in Kyoto, I presented a paper at a seminar on sustainable resources management in The Netherlands. In The Hague, I met the Dutch officials writing the next national plan for environmental policy and visited the headquarters of the Green Cross. The Dutch contributed over one million dollars to initiate the Green Cross and the Malaysian government gave ten thousand. No other governments had yet offered support.

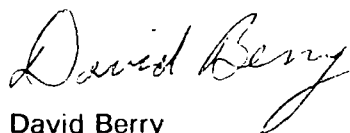
The preliminary strategy of the Green Cross, I learned in The Hague, is to get highly visible support from individuals such as royalty and world renowned spiritual and political leaders so that the efforts at value change will have a high profile. Specific programs for disaster relief and ecological law have not been delineated. In this formative stage, the United States could make a meaningful contribution to the direction and substance of the Green Cross with a small flow of resources and attention. For example, we could finance a pilot program and provide the organization with a small number of people. (As of mid June there were only about six people working in the Green Cross office in The Hague).

The work of the Green Cross is consistent with the goals articulated in the establishment of the President's Council on Sustainable Development. I regretted the lack of press coverage of the June 14 event but recall that when the indigenous leaders spoke at the U.N. last December, there was also silence in the media.

As a national plan for sustainability emerges in the U.S., it will doubtless include the recognition that we are in a global economy, our activities have global environmental and social consequences and the solutions will be found only through global cooperation. A small investment (at least of attention, if not of resources) in the Green Cross in its early stages will reap benefits for we will be supporting an ally in the creation of a sustainable pattern of human activity on the planet.

I pray you will be successful in the efforts of the National Performance Review and of the PCSD. The frustrating difficulties in gaining approval for even a tiny marginal energy tax indicate the importance of education and values as integral to creating sustainability.

Sincerely,

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David Berry

cc. Vice President Al Gore

THE WHITE HOUSE

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September 29, 1993

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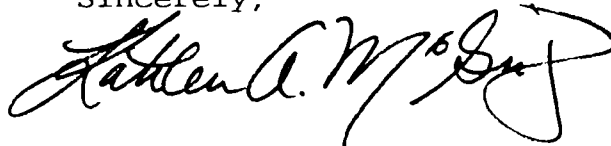
Dear Ms. Bryant:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your efforts on the RISK Newsletter and the article reporting on the East Tennessee Environmental Conference in Knoxville. It was good to hear from you, and I apologize for the delay in my response.

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 hearing from you. I wish you much success in your future endeavors.

Again, thank you for letting me hear from you.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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Ms. Kathleen McGinty, Director
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Dear Ms. McGinty:

I enjoyed meeting you last April as a member of the press at the East Tennessee Environmental Conference in Knoxville. I represented RISK *newsletter*, a quarterly publication of the Society for Risk Analysis.

Enclosed is the latest issue of the newsletter, which includes a report on your speech (page 2).

Sincerely,

Mary Bryant
RISK *newsletter*

Enclosure

THE WHITE HOUSE
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September 29, 1993

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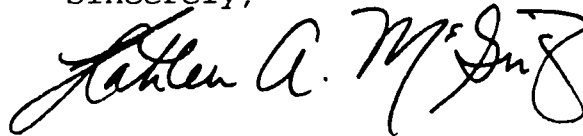
Dear Mr. Berg:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your work with the Consortium for Integrated Resource Planning (C-IRP). It was good to hear from you, and I apologize for the delay in my response.

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 about the efforts of C-IRP and the proposed outreach program to the New Independent States of the former Soviet Union. I am forwarding your information to the U.S. Agency for International Development for their review and response.

Again, thank you for letting me hear from you.

Sincerely,

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WILLIAM L. BERG
General Manager

August 3, 1993

Ms. Katy McGinty
Environment Advisor
Office of the Vice President
Old Executive Office Building
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

SUBJECT: The Consortium for Integrated Resource Planning (C-IRP)
Program at the University of Wisconsin

The Consortium for Integrated Resource Planning (C-IRP) Program was developed to provide technical assistance in the area of Integrated Resource Planning to the New Independent States (NIS) of the former Soviet Union. The Consortium is part of the Engineering Development Department at the University of Wisconsin. The program has been developed in conjunction with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

Recently the Consortium proposed an outreach program with the New Independent States of Russia and Ukraine. The goal is to provide assistance in establishing integrated resource planning programs in parts of those countries. The purpose of this letter is to support that proposal. A copy of the proposal is attached.

As a member of the Advisory Council of the C-IRP Program, I am writing to you to let you know that I believe the program is important and that the C-IRP Program is qualified and should be selected to provide international energy program support.

The C-IRP Program at the University of Wisconsin has much to offer to these countries. We have support and experience among the stakeholders in the United States energy sector along with extensive hands-on experience. Many of the programs and techniques we have used in the United States have much international applicability. We have made a commitment to work together to share our expertise with our peers in other countries.

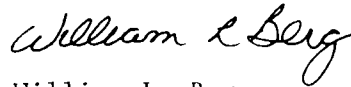
We hope that you will support the C-IRP Program proposal. We are capable of delivering IRP training in the NIS and can find ways to use this program as a vehicle for moving funding to IRP work in the NIS by a variety of organizations.

Ms. Katy McGinty
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If you have suggestions on how the C-IRP Program at the University of Wisconsin can assist in the U.S. assistance effort to the NIS, please call me at (608) 787-1258 or Michael Arny, C-IRP Program Director, at (608) 262-0320.

Sincerely,

DAIRYLAND POWER COOPERATIVE

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William L. Berg
General Manager

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Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 30, 1993

Mr. Don Barry
Counselor
Office of the Assistant Secretary
for Fish and Wildlife and Parks
Department of the Interior
C Street between 18th and 19th Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Mr. Barry:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you personally for your efforts to develop the President's wetlands policy.

Through the hard work of the interagency task force and your valuable input, we have shaped a policy that can move beyond the divisiveness that has characterized this issue for the past several years. I certainly appreciate your diligence in working toward a solution to this very important issue. I am enclosing a copy of my correspondence to Secretary Babbitt in this regard.

Again, thanks for your help on this initiative.

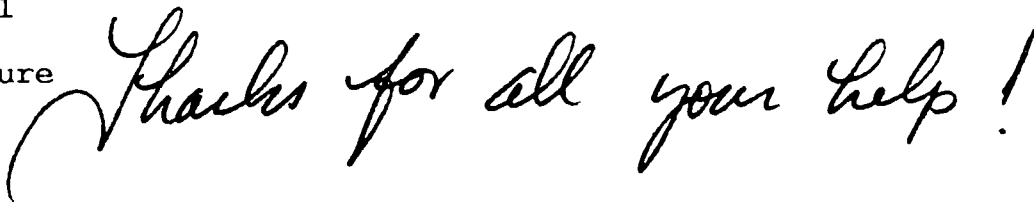
Sincerely,



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

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 30, 1993

Mr. Dail Brown
Special Assistant
Office Director of National
Marine Fisheries Service
National Oceanic and
Atmospheric Administration
Herbert C. Hoover Building
Room 5128
14th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20230

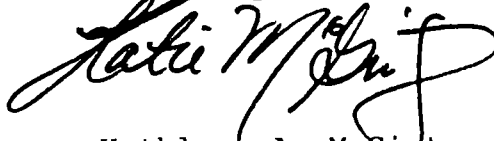
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Kathleen A. McCarthy
Director, White House Office on
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Thanks for all your help!

THE WHITE HOUSE
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The Honorable Carol Browner
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
401 M Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Administrator Browner:

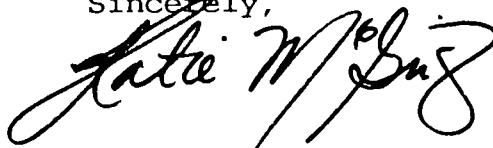
I would like to take this opportunity to bring to your attention the efforts of Mr. Bob Wayland, Director, Office of Wetlands, Oceans, and Watersheds, and Mr. Gregory Peck, Chief of Wetland and Aquatic Resources Regulatory Branch in the Office of Water, in developing the President's recently announced wetlands policy.

As you know, the President released his wetlands policy in August. This policy has been well received in editorial pages across the nation, among most affected stakeholders, and on Capitol Hill.

The Administration's policy was developed by an interagency task force including nine Federal agencies working under the direction of my office. I want to commend Mr. Wayland and Mr. Peck to you for their efforts in this process. Through their hard work and expertise, Mr. Wayland and Mr. Peck helped to shape a policy that can move beyond the divisiveness that has characterized this issue for the past several years.

Again, thank you for making your staff available for this very important initiative.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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September 30, 1993

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Department of the Interior
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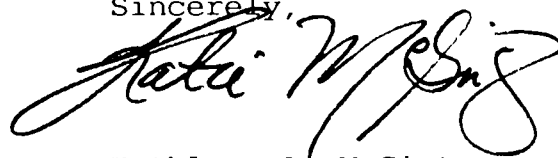
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THE WHITE HOUSE
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September 30, 1993

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Administrator
National Oceanic and
Atmospheric Administration
Herbert Hoover Building
Room 5128
14th and Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20230

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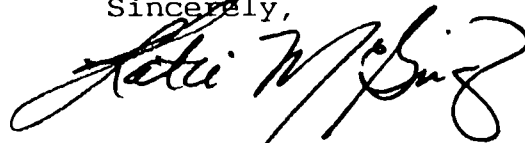
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