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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Mr. Tim Wagenbach
Akron Services, Inc.
17705 N. Elevator Road
Edelstein, IL 61526

Dear Mr. Wagenbach:

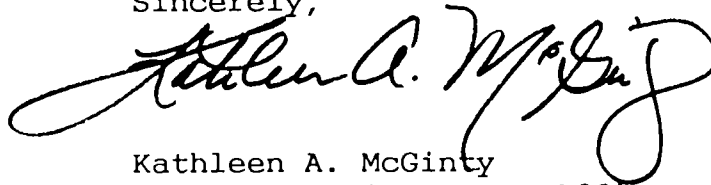
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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August 16, 1993

Kathleen McGinty
Deputy Director to the President
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Bldg - Room 360
17th St. & Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Director McGinty,

I am writing you with a concern that involves our industry here in Central Illinois. We are a grain, pesticide, and fertilizer dealer. I believe Ethanol should be a major fuel for the future and in order to maintain status, it must be given fair treatment in the Clean Air Act. Ethanol has proven to be as good and better than MTBE which the big oil companies are supporting. If use of ethanol continues in the fuel market, our small business alone will generate \$ 1,250,000.00 in increased grain sales. The farmer will be hit the hardest without the ethanol sales, so please allow priority treatment in the Clean Air Act for ethanol.

Remember, Pres. Clinton wants to reduce our dependence on foreign oil, and this is one of the best ways to reach that goal. Thanks for your support! If I can answer any questions, I'd be delighted.

Sincerely,



Tim Wagenbach
309-249-2458

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Mr. Philip E. Wright
Manager
Englum Grain Co., Inc.
P.O. Box 724
Paris, IL 61944

Dear Mr. Wright:

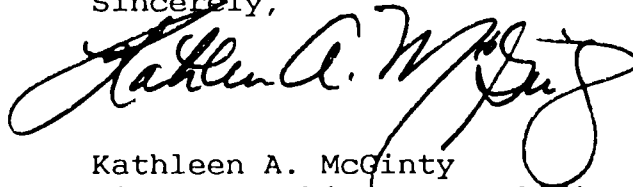
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P.O. BOX 724
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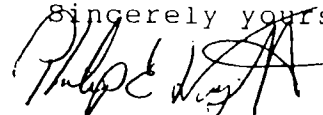
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Deputy Director to the President & Director
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building - Room 360
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Washington, DC 20500

Dear Kathleen McGinty;

Ethanol production is an economic plus for the rural areas in the State of Illinois. With 17% of our corn production being utilized by the Illinois ethanol industry, the interpretation of ethanol's role in reformulated gasoline by the USEPA has put the economic well-being of rural Illinois in jeopardy. Please see that the Clean Air Act is implemented in a manner that ethanol is treated fairly with other fuels.

In an October 1992 speech candidate Bill 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." Let's hope the administration that is lead by you keeps this pledge.

Sincerely yours,



Philip E. Wright
Englum Grain Co. Manager

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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Ms. Lori Willcox
16708 Pocono
Austin, TX 78717

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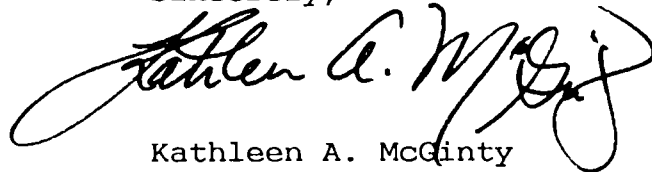
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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Dear Katie McGinty,

It is imperative to protect the remaining five percent of our original, virgin forests. Stop the cutting of all native forests. Ban export of processed forest products. Support ecosystem based protection.

Sincerely

Jon Willcox

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Mr. Edward F. Wood
157 Harrington Road
Clifton, NJ 07012

Dear Mr. Wood:

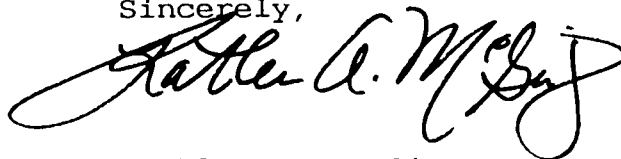
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Edward F. Wood
157 Harrington Road
Clifton, NJ 07012

DEAR MS MCGINTY:

WHILE THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN FOR THE ANCIENT FORESTS IS OVERALL A GOOD ONE, IT IS SERIOUSLY DEFICIENT IN SEVERAL AREAS.

WE NEED A REAL ANCIENT FOREST RESERVE, NOT ONE SHOT WITH THE LOOPHOLES OF "SALVAGE LOGGING" AND "THINNING."

WE NEED SUSTAINABLE LOGGING QUOTAS SO THAT 10 OR 15 YEARS FROM NOW WE WILL NOT HEAR THAT THE RESERVES MUST BE LOGGED TO PREVENT JOB LOSS.

WE NEED HIGHER VIABILITY STANDARDS FOR SALMON AND THE ECOSYSTEM. GIVING THESE TWO A VIABILITY OF 70% MEANS RISKING AN INDUSTRY, FISHING, THAT PROVIDES MORE JOBS THAN TIMBERING AND AMOUNTS TO THROWING OUT THE BABY WITH THE BATH WATER.

THE QUESTION OF LOG EXPORTS NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED MORE FIRMLY THAN BY ELIMINATING SUBSIDIES. LOG EXPORTS FROM FEDERAL LAND MUST BE STOPPED. AT A TIME WHEN LUMBER MILLS ARE LAYING OFF WORKERS, EXPORT OF RAW LOGS IS NO MORE THAN SUBSIDIZING TIMBER COMPANY PROFITS AT THE EXPENSE OF THE WORKERS AND TO SAY THE LEAST IS IMMORAL.

SO CALLED "EASTSIDE" FOREST AND THE SIERRA NEVADA IN CALIFORNIA SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE PLAN.

I APPLAUD THE PRESIDENT'S INITIATIVE IN THIS PLAN BUT I THINK IT NEEDS SOME REVISION.

SINCERELY

Edward F. Wood

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Mr. and Ms. John and Hallie Williams
620 Hawthorne Avenue
El Cajon, CA 92020

Dear Mr. and Ms. Williams:

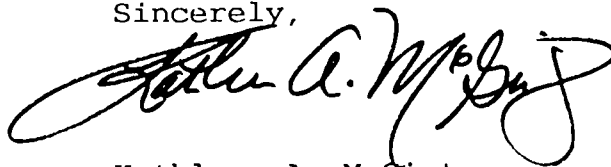
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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Aug. 27, '93

Dear Ms. McGinty

I understand that you are
a decision maker on a very
important issue: Saving Ancient
Forests in California, Oregon and
Washington.

We feel strongly about saving
and protecting these forests and
stopping the logging. There are
alternatives so let's work together
on a plan!

Sincerely,

Hallie & John Williams
620 Hawthorne Av.
El Cajon, CA
92020

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Mr. Chris Wilhite
3201 Speedway #2
Austin, TX 78705

Dear Mr. Wilhite:

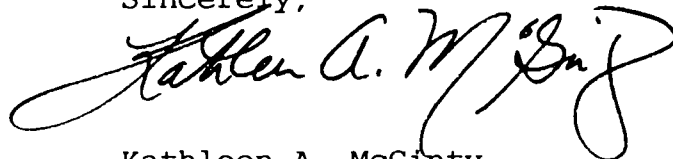
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August 3, 1993

Dear Katie McGinty

My name is Chris Wilketo and I'm writing on behalf of the old growth virgin forests. It is of utmost importance to protect the remaining five percent old growth. Not only have we tax payers lost \$5.6 billion over the last ten years in below cost timber sales, but these forests are also the lungs of the earth and the filters of mountain rivers and streams. Being the Director of the office of Environmental Policy, the saving power is partly in your hands to help achieve the following:

- 1) Stop the cutting of virgin old-growth forests immediately and ban all development in roadless areas. NO COMPROMISE!!
- 2) Ban export and import of all minimally processed forest products to solve this forest catastrophe without sacrificing ~~the~~ forests on other parts of the world.
- 3) Give full support to ecosystem based protection such as Northern Rockies Ecosystem Protection Act to ensure biological diversity and stability and economic stability.

4) Reduce and stop the use of wood pulp products and start using alternative fibers such as Kenaf and/or Hemp. They are stronger than wood pulp.

In Conclusion I'd like to say that you have a fine position to stop the corruption. Use your power correctly. Don't fall into corruption as others do. Be responsible and use the position and influence you have to stop this forest and ecosystem diversity catastrophe. You have the power.

Yours ~~forever~~ loving the trees,
Chris Wilhite

3201 Speedway #2
Austin, TX
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WASHINGTON

September 2, 1993

Mr. Eugene C. Wehner
Holy Hill Road
Hubertus, WI 53033

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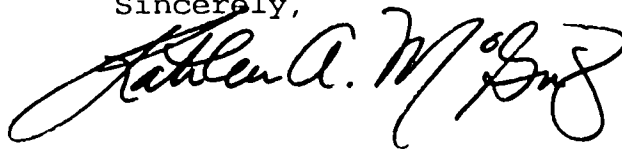
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Dear Ms. McGinty,

8-2-93

Here are a few suggestions for
a Clinton Administration approach to our
nation's forests:

- 1) stop exporting raw logs and employ
more Americans to produce wood products.
- 2) develop substitutes for ^{wood} paper, such as
the kenaf plant.
- 3) reduce deforestation by a major push to
reuse and recycle wood on a broad
scale.
- 4) move the timber industry in the direction of
becoming a forest repair service (thinning & prun-
ing trees, restoring streams, +
restoring Forest Service roads).

Sincerely,
Eugene Wehrer

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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Ms. Heather Colleen Wheeler
4056 Driftwood Court
Loveland, CO 80538

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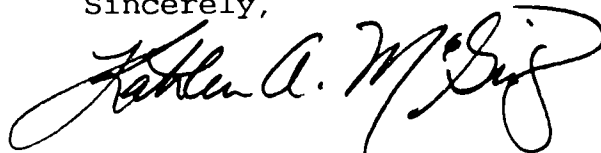
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4056 Driftwood Court
Loveland Colorado 80538-2141
June 19, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director - Office of Environmental Policy
Room 360
Old Executive Office Building
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty,
I am writing about the Pacific Northwest Forest Plan in the U.S. This is important to me because I feel strongly about saving trees. I think President Clinton should adhere to his promise to develop a scientifically sound, ecologically credible and legally responsible plan for protecting the Pacific Northwest's public forests. I think all remaining ancient forest should be protected. I also think that the export of raw logs should be stopped. The President has to work to keep log processing jobs in the United States and export only finished wood products. Lastly, I think that economic assistance and investment opportunities be provided

to rural fish and timber
related communities in
the Northwest. Please relay
these concerns. Thank you
for your time. Please respond
to this letter.

Sincerely yours,
Heather Colleen Wheeler, 15

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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Mr. Chris Wille
Director, Central American Office
Rainforest Alliance
Apdo. 138-2150
Moravia, San Jose
Costa Rica

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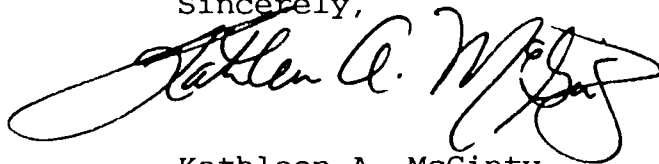
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Rainforest Alliance

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

August 7, 1993

Dear Ms. McGinty:

We have every admiration for the Administration's efforts to resolve the conflict over harvest levels of ancient forests in the Pacific Northwest. As Oregonians working in Central America, we have been surprised to see how closely people in this region are watching the "spotted owl issue."

We have also been impressed at the efforts being made here to conserve tropical rainforests. If these small countries with their tortured histories and busted economies can make serious attempts at sustainable forestry, there is no reason why the United States can't do the same.

Please continue your campaign to find a solution that protects the people and forests of the Pacific Northwest. From what we can learn about "Option 9," we urge you in particular to secure inviolate reserves in the ancient forests, a greatly reduced cut, and better protection for fish and the streams that they inhabit.

We wish you every success in this and your many other critical responsibilities. You have our support.

Sincerely,

Chris Wille, Director
Central American Office, Rainforest Alliance

65 Bleecker Street, New York, NY 10012-2420 212-677-1900 Fax: 212-677-2187

Central American Office: Apdo. 138-2150, Moravia, San José, Costa Rica 506-36-3073 Fax: 506-40-2543

West Coast Office: 7752 Fay Avenue, Suite G, La Jolla, CA 92037 619-456-2944 Fax: 619-456-2946

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1993

Mr. Paul Wack
2551 West Eastwood Avenue, #3
Chicago, IL 60625

Dear Mr. Wack:

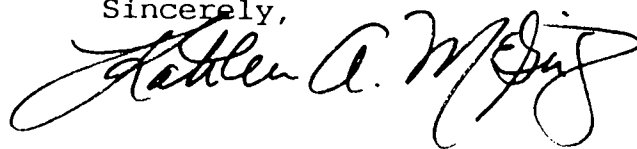
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Paul Wack
7511 West Eastwood Avenue #3
Chicago, IL 60645

30 August 1999

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

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I've enclosed a copy of a letter I wrote to James Lyons, urging him to strengthen President Clinton's proposed plan for managing the ancient forests of the Pacific Northwest. I urge you to read this letter, too, and to do all you can to save our forests.

Yours



Paul Wack

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 21, 1993

Mr. Joel Wainwright
320 Melody Lane
Newburg, OR 97132

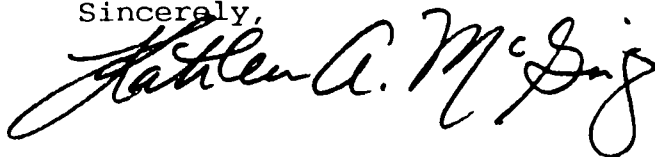
Dear Mr. Wainwright:

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.

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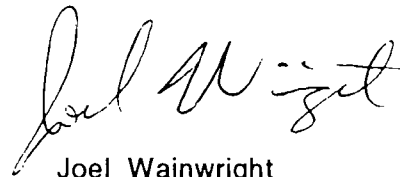
I am writing to ask you to take a stand against government waste and animal cruelty. It has come to my attention that the Predator Research Facility, operated by the USDA Animal Damage Control Program (ADC) at Utah State University has been needlessly slaughtering animals in an attempt to develop efficient ways of restricting coyotes from attacking livestock. Consider the following:

- The ADC predator control program is neither cost-effective or biologically sound. In 1992, the ADC spent over \$45 million in public funds to kill natural wildlife. Most of their techniques are indiscriminant and threaten other endangered species, as well as damaging ecosystems. While the government spends millions of tax dollars killing animals, it is simultaneously spending millions of dollars to protect wildlife in other areas!

- In fiscal year 1992, 109,000 predatory mammals and more than 1.5 million birds were reported killed by the ADC. Its killing methods -- poison baits, traps, snares, gunning -- are totally inhumane.

- The ADC exists as a blatant subsidy to the livestock industry. Taxpayers should not be expected to provide a zero-risk business environment! Ranchers should be responsible for protecting their livestock with non-lethal techniques.

I am offended that at a time of fiscal crises, our government wastes money subsidizing an industry with such programs. I am morally enraged that our government supports the slaughter of wildlife. I demand that this outdated tax-payer supported federal war on wildlife come to an end immediately, and that the government attempt to protect the natural bounty of the wild.



Joel Wainwright
320 Melody Lane

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 21, 1993

Ms. Marianne R. Walker
938 Mirabelle Avenue
Westbury, NY 11590

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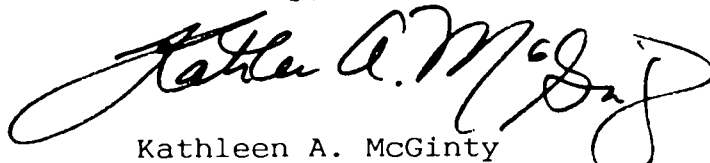
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

938 Minabelle Avenue
Westbury, New York 11590
May 24, 1993

Vice President Albert Gore, Jr.
2203 Dirksen Senate Office Building
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,
Flushing New York in the Environmental Education Master
Program and I teach fourth grade East Meadow.

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

Thank you for a prompt reply.

Sincerely,
Marianne R. Walker

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1993

Ms. Laura Wallach
2530 Dupont Avenue S., Apt. 204
Minneapolis, MN 55405

Dear Ms. Wallach:

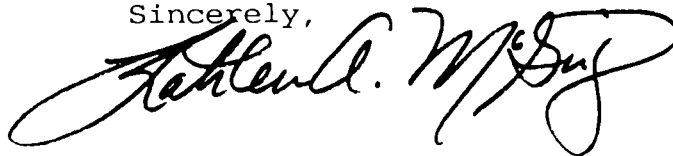
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

9-9-93

McGilly,

The ancient forests of the Pacific Northwest need to be saved. All logging of these forests should be prohibited, even the dead and decaying trees should be left alone, for they are also an important part of the forest ecosystem. All sections of the forests that are roadless should remain so to better preserve this precious ecosystem. Full protection to all animals, birds, fishes, and plants should be administered in these forests, as well as to their habitats. The proposed experimental areas - Adaptive Management Areas - should be converted to ancient forest reserves. Local residents should not be given special authority over forests in their area. National forests belong to all Americans and should be managed for the best interest of all Americans.

Sincerely,
Laura Wallach

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 7, 1993

Mr. Richard A. Walske
P.O. Box 353
Remer, MN 56672

Dear Mr. Walske:

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

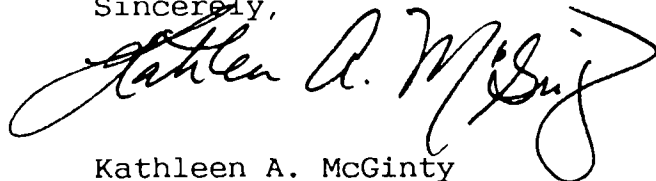
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Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

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 a member of the Independent Union of Paper Mill Workers, I ask you to recommend to the President that he ~~not sign~~ this executive order.

Sincerely,

Will sign

*all imported paper should meet the same
order with no exceptions, so our Mills
can have a fair chance to meet these
requirements*

Richard A. Walsh

#5

Blending Engineer

P.O. Box 353

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 21, 1993

Mr. and Ms. Chris and Jenny Watson
160 Dudley Drive, #535
Athens, GA 30606

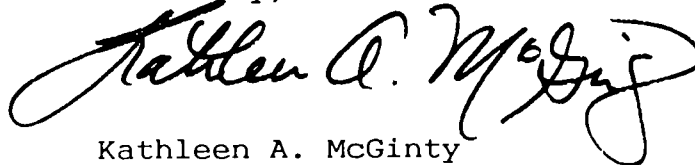
Dear Mr. and Ms. Watson:

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

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

KAM/avl

160 Dudley Drive, #535
Athens, Georgia 30606
August 12, 1993

Dear Madam

We are writing to express our outrage over the existence of the organization known as Animal Damage Control (ADC) within the Department of Agriculture. ADC exists as a blatant subsidy to the livestock industry's operations on public lands. Taxpayers should not be expected to provide a zero risk business environment for anyone. The ADC predator control program is neither cost effective nor biologically sound. In 1992 ADC spent over 45 million taxpayer dollars to kill wildlife on public lands and to develop poisons and control techniques for wild animals. Most of these techniques are indiscriminate and place non-target, threatened, and endangered species in jeopardy. At the same time the government spends millions to kill predators, it also funds multi-million dollar programs to protect and reintroduce endangered species.

In fiscal year 1992, over 109 thousand predatory mammals and more than 1.5 million birds were reported killed by ADC. Its killing methods- poison baits, traps, snares, denning, and aerial gunning- are indiscriminate and inhumane. Ranchers need to be responsible for protecting their own livestock and doing so with non-lethal techniques. In this age of national debt and budget deficit crises, when ordinary citizens are being asked to pay their "fair share", you have an obligation to the American taxpayer to ferret out garbage programs like ADC and dump them. We demand that this outdated, tax supported federal war on wildlife be abolished, that the government begin putting the public interest ahead of private interests, and that the protection rather than the pillage of our natural heritage be made a national priority. Please act on this matter immediately. We eagerly await your reply.

Most Sincerely



Chris and Jenny Watson

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 21, 1993

Ms. Peggy Wells
425 Virginia, N.E.
Albuquerque, NM 87108

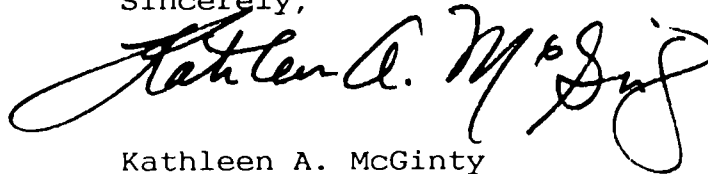
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

August 10, 1993

Dear Ms. McGinty,

We believe it is time to end an expensive and ecologically destructive subsidy to the livestock industry: the Animal Damage Program.

The methods of "control" ADC employs are inhumane and indiscriminate: many inoffensive and even endangered animals are killed. Neither are the methods effective. It has been shown, for example, that when coyote populations are reduced, they have large litters, and other coyotes move in from surrounding areas. Furthermore, when predators are reduced, range destruction from rabbits and rodents increase dramatically.

A better solution is for ranchers to take more responsibility to protect their stock, especially at lambing and calving time. Sheep guard dogs and predator proof fencing have proved effective Minnesota, and could be employed much more widely.

This is a time when government programs are being scrutinized and some are being reduced or eliminated. Animal Damage Control is not a program that should be supported by a government trying to be fiscally responsible. It "satisfies" (without serving well) a tiny constituency. It is cruel, expensive, ineffective, unsound, and, finally, it is contrary to our principles. We do not want our taxes supporting such a program.

Thank you,

Ron Davis
Peggy Wells

Linda Caldwell

Mike Munger

PEGGY WELLS
425 VIRGINIA N.E.
ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87102

Rachel Padilla

Michelle Tesper

Peggy Norton, B.S., B.W. Logg

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1993

Dr. Hunter Wessells
246 South 23rd Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Dear Dr. Wessells:

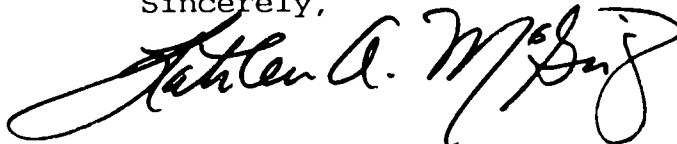
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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8/25/93

Ms. KATIE MCGINTY
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY
ROOM 360
2ND EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING
WASHINGTON, DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGINTY,

I am writing as a concerned individual concerning President Clinton's stance on the public forests of the Pacific Northwest. I feel that all remaining ancient forests be protected, with no further cutting at all. Please relay to the President my hope that he adhere to his promise to develop a scientifically sound, ecologically credible and legally responsible plan to protect our precious and dwindling first growth forests. Without your help these green jewels will be lost forever.

Respectfully,

Hunter Wessells MD
246 SOUTH 23RD STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 7, 1993

Dr. Richard L. White
Executive Vice President
Organic Products Division
Miles, Inc.
Mobay Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15205

Dear Dr. White:

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

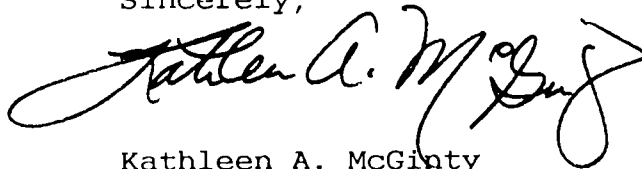
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Organic Products Division

Dr. Richard L. White
Executive Vice President,
Miles Inc. and President
Organic Products Division

August 6, 1993

Kathleen A. McGinty
Deputy Assistance to the President
Director, Office on Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building
17th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I am writing to protest the draft Executive Order on Federal recycling. While the Administration's effort to promote a healthy environment is laudable, the draft contains two areas which I believe need to be reconsidered. These are the governmental identification and promotion of "environmentally preferable" products and services and the procurement and market promotion of "totally chlorine-free" paper.

The above proposals would have major economic and social consequences. They would threaten the ability of the U.S. pulp and paper industry to compete domestically and more importantly on an international basis. There would be losses for U.S. chemical producers. American jobs would be effectively exported to other countries. It is questionable whether the Executive Order would achieve environmental benefits that are not already being achieved under existing regulatory programs.

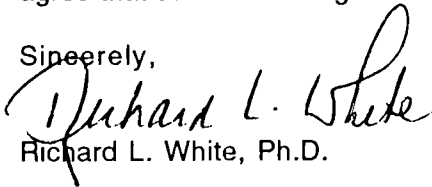
Our company is a major supplier to the paper industry and we are currently doing significant developmental work to finalize improved environmentally compatible formulas. These efforts will be beneficial in achieving our mutual goal of more environmentally compatible products but to proceed with this current effort is not the proper way to move ahead.

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An Executive Order is not the proper manner to make decisions of such a far-reaching nature. In effect, this amounts to the adoption of a regulatory program without the protections that are built into the regulatory process, including an open, public procedure for evaluating complex scientific and technical issues. All sides should be heard in this debate, in an open process rather than behind closed doors.

Because of the controversial nature of these provisions and the need to hear from all sides, I respectfully request a meeting with you prior to including either of these provisions in the Executive Order. I can be reached at 412-777-2800 if you agree that such a meeting would be useful.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard L. White". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Richard L. White, Ph.D.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 21, 1993

Ms. Deborah H. Winiarski
22-17 123 Street
College Point, NY 11356

Dear Ms. Winiarski:

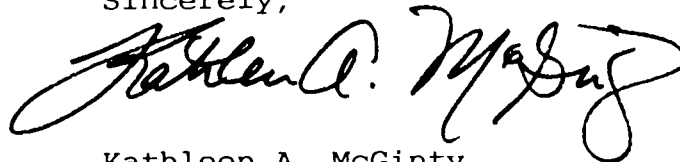
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

22-17 123 Street
College Point NY 11356
May 24, 1993

The Vice President
2203 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Vice President:

Congratulations on your election as our new
Environmental Vice President. I am presently a graduate
student at Queens College, Flushing, NY, in the Environmental
Education Masters Program. I also teach second grade at
P.S. 20 Q.

I am interested in finding out more information
concerning your new Office on Environmental Policy. As
a concerned environmental educator, I would like to
see your words put into action "before it is too late."
I anxiously await your response.

Sincerely,

Deborah H. Winiarski

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 21, 1993

Ms. Deborah Wise
P.O. Box 4724
Westlake Village, CA 91359

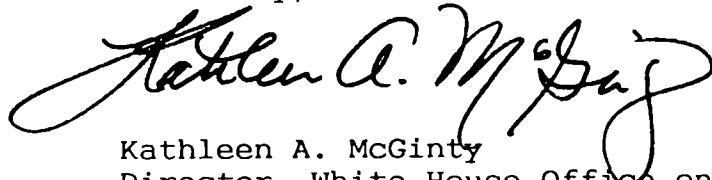
Dear Ms. Wise:

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

KAM/avl

Date 8-26-93

Kathleen McGinty
Old Executive Office Building, Room 358
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

We urge you to do everything in your power to bring to an end the outdated, tax-supported federal war on wildlife being waged by the Animal Damage Control (ADC) Program.

The ADC exists as a blatant subsidy to the livestock industry. Taxpayers should not be expected to provide a zero-risk environment for anyone. We want a more efficient government in which public interests, not private interests, are served first.

The ADC Predator Control Program is neither cost effective nor biologically sound. In 1992, the ADC spent over 45 million taxpayer dollars to kill wildlife on public lands and to develop poisons and control techniques for wild animals. Most of these techniques are indiscriminate and place threatened and endangered species in jeopardy.

Animals, quite obviously, have different attributes and capabilities than humans; but every sentient creature has inherent value and the primary right not to suffer needlessly. Just as intelligence is not a criterion for determining the rights of humans, neither should it be for non-human animals.

The ADC's killing methods of poison baits, traps, snares, denning, and aerial gunning are not only indiscriminate, but cause unconscionable pain and suffering to many precious creatures. This inhumane insanity must stop.

Please speak out on behalf of these helpless, voiceless beings. Protect our natural heritage.

Most sincerely,

Dorothy Wise
P.O. Box 4724
Westlake Village, CA 91359
Member of WHAT WE CAN DO
Letters on Behalf of Animals

"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated." - Gandhi

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 7, 1993

Mr. Mike Wojcik
Vice President
Independent Union of Paper
Mill Workers
1007 N.W. 4th Street
P.O. Box 306
Grand Rapids, MN 55744

Dear Mr. Wojcik:

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

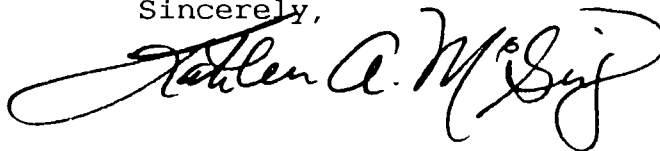
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Independent Union of Paper Mill Workers

1007 N.W. 4TH STREET
P. O. BOX 306

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800+ UNION MEMBERS

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ORGANIZED IN (1935)

EDWARD A. CASPER, Secretary
Res. Phone 326-2681

ROBERT L. OLSON, Jr., Treasurer
Res. Phone 245-2105

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,

Mike Wojcik, Vice President
Independent Union of Paper Mill Workers

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 29, 1993

Mr. Jim Wallis
Editor and Pastor
Sojourners
2401 15th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20009

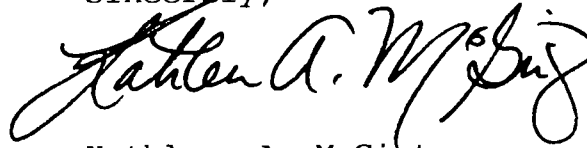
Dear Mr. Wallis:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your work at Sojourners and your involvement in the Gang Summit in Kansas City last April. 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 the issue of Sojourners which you enclosed and bringing your article about the Gang Summit to my attention.

Again, thank you for letting me hear from you.

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

KAM/avl

Sojourners

July 29, 1993

Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director of the Office on Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Bldg., Rm. 358
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty,

A while back, Paul Gorman suggested that you might be interested in seeing the work and reflections coming out of *Sojourners*. This is our latest issue, which features in-depth coverage of a gathering of about 160 former and current gang members that took place in Kansas City at the end of April. I was privileged to serve as an advisor at the Gang Summit and think it was a very hopeful development. It looks like the Outlook section of *The Washington Post* will be publishing a shorter version of my piece in this issue.

We've printed 10,000 extra copies of this issue, so if you'd like more, we'd be happy to send them to you. If there is anyone within the administration who you think would benefit from reading this, please let us know. We can either arrange to have them receive it, or we can send you additional copies for this purpose. I'd be interested to hear your response to it.

Sincerely,

Jim Wallis

Jim Wallis (signed in his absence)
Editor and Pastor
Sojourners
Advisory Council Nat'l Urban Peace
and Justice Summit

JW/kv (enclosure)

9.27.93

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Dear Jester -

It was a pleasure to
spend time with you &
visit my Aunt Mabel this
weekend. It really was
great to see St. Hubert
thriving so well.

Thanks also for your
thoughtfulness for offering
the enclosed. But believe me -
wholly unnecessary! Sincerely,
Kate M. Giff

Saint Hubert Catholic High School

7320 Torresdale Avenue • Philadelphia, PA 19136-4198 • (215) 624-6840

August 11, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty
14 - 5th Street, Northeast
Washington, DC 20002

Dear Katie,

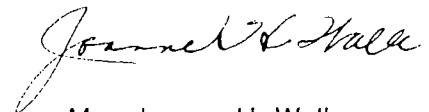
The impact of your appointment has been felt by many. The positive vibrations are still generating throughout St. Hubert. Your former teachers smile with pride, former classmates claim they always knew you would do beyond the doing, and present students are in awe of your achievement. It is this positive note that you will have as a basis for your speech at our Communion Breakfast. Your audience will be one that will identify with you, not only because you have a diploma from St. Hubert, but also because you share in their appreciation of the value of Catholic education, past, present and future.

I, personally, look forward to meeting you. I have heard only wonderful anecdotes and you need to know how very much you have been respected, even before your appointment! Thank you so much for agreeing to be our guest speaker.

Enclosed are tickets for you and your mother. We are very grateful to your mother for all she has done for us in communicating with you.

See you on the 26th of September!

Sincerely,



Mrs. Joanne H. Walls
Principal

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 30, 1993

Mr. Bob Wayland
Director, Office of Wetlands,
Oceans, and Watersheds
Office of Water
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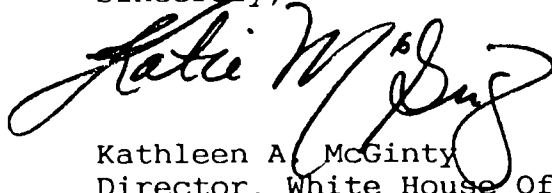
Dear Mr. Wayland:

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 Administrator Browner 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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