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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 29, 1993

Mr. Joe Walicki
Conservation Director
Washington Wilderness Coalition
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Seattle, WA 98103

Dear Mr. Walicki:

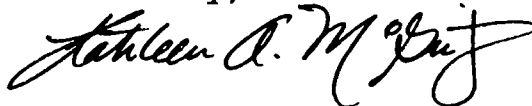
Thank you for your recent note and the information you enclosed regarding your efforts at Washington Wilderness Coalition on grazing and public land issues. It was good to hear from you.

As you know, the preservation of our nation's natural resources continues to be one of this Administration's highest priorities. I certainly appreciate learning your thoughts about grazing issues and the management of our nation's public lands. This Administration is currently looking at a number of policy options as we work toward a resolution of this very important matter.

After extensive public hearings and Congressional debates on this important matter, the Administration through the Secretary of the Interior is developing a comprehensive set of grazing reforms on public lands, and I would encourage you to contact Secretary Bruce Babbitt directly. I will, in turn, forward your letter to him for his consideration.

Again, thank you for keeping me apprised of your thoughts.

Sincerely,



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

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From the Desk of

Joe Walicki

Washington Wilderness Coalition

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(206) 633-1992 • FAX (206) 633-1996

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Dear Kote -

I thought you would
be interested in our graying
poution.

If you want to come out
+ see (experience) our forest, we
offers still stands to show you
ground.

Sincerely
Joe Walicki

Wilderness • Public Lands • Wild Rivers

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17 August, 1993

Honorable Bruce Babbitt
Secretary of the Interior
1849 C Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Secretary Babbitt,

The Washington Wilderness Coalition (WWC) is writing to support the Clinton administration's new proposal to raise livestock grazing fees and enact tougher environmental standards for ranching on federal lands. The following is a summary of what the WWC would like you to do:

--**Change public land management goals:** Stop managing our lands to raise more cows. Manage public lands to restore native biodiversity and to restore and rehabilitate lands damaged by livestock grazing, especially critical riparian areas (streams, springs, meadows).

--**Eliminate subsidized grazing:** Raise grazing fees to fair-market value and require the additional revenue raised to go to range restoration and permit administration, not environmentally damaging "range improvements."

--**Provide incentives for real change:** Support grazing fee incentives (reduced fees) only for measured improvement in on-the-ground ecological conditions verified by monitoring, not for promises of improvement or mere compliance with laws and regulations.

--**Improve unsatisfactory condition rangelands:** Require immediate and real changes in harmful grazing practices, such as overgrazing, degradation of critical wildlife areas, and destructive animal damage control activities. This should be done on a specified time table.

--**Promote public interests in public lands:** Eliminate rancher-only Grazing Advisory Boards and the subleasing of grazing permits for more than the federal fee. Permit all members of the public to participate fully in public land grazing decisions.

--**Enforce our public land laws:** Strictly enforce public laws, regulations, and grazing permit terms and conditions, including environmental protection requirements and prohibitions on livestock trespass.

--**Get serious about monitoring:** Stop issuing grazing permits for lands which are not being adequately monitored. Without knowing what is happening on public lands, federal agencies cannot manage appropriately; if environmentally damaging uses can't be managed, agencies should not permit them to occur on our lands.

--**Reward good ranchers:** Don't let owners of *any* size livestock operation with poor grazing practices avoid paying fair market fees.

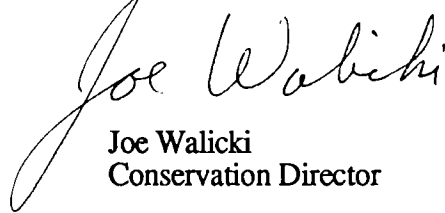
--**Public rangeland jobs:** Make the focus of rangeland jobs the restoration and rehabilitation of degraded public rangelands, *not* their continued abuse.

Our public lands certainly need help now, and your new proposal to raise grazing fees, along with its other provisions (including the revoking of leases for those who violate environmental laws) are a stride in the right direction. We applaud your efforts to get

rangeland grazing policies under control, and hope you will continue policy-making in the spirit of protection for our invaluable natural resources.

The Washington Wilderness Coalition is a non-profit organization composed of over 40 member organizations and 1,000 individuals, both grass-roots and state-wide, fighting to preserve wilderness, wild rivers, and wildlife in the State of Washington and beyond. We support your policy to raise grazing fees and wish you good luck in overcoming any obstacles to its implementation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joe Walicki". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Joe Walicki
Conservation Director

cc: Congressional Delegation,
State of Washington;
Katie McGinty,
The White House;
Jim Baca,
Bureau of Land Management.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 23, 1993

Ms. Lori Weiss
10741 Camarillo Street #308
Toluca Lake, CA 91602

Dear Ms. Weiss:

Thank you for your recent letter and the articles you enclosed regarding your thoughts and perspective on various environmental issues.

As you know, I share President Clinton and Vice President Gore's commitment to the protection of our environment and natural resources. I appreciate learning about your efforts as a comedy writer and an environmental comedienne to increase public awareness about the importance of addressing the environmental challenges we currently face.

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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October 16, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Director of White House
Office Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty,

I spoke with Evvie Nazro who suggested I contact you. I met Vice President Gore at the EMA awards in Los Angeles last week.

We discussed that I am a stand-up comedienne and comedy writer with a degree in Environmental Biology. I used to work for the EPA; that's where I started my comedy career!

I perform at clubs, colleges, corporations and benefits all over the country and incorporate ecological themes into my act. I am the keynote speaker at the Air and Waste Management Association meeting in Bakersfield California this month.

Presently I write a humorous environmental column for the Earth Communications Office (ECO) newsletter which I am enclosing.

I feel by using humor on such a serious subject I can get people to listen and make a difference in the world we live in.

I would appreciate if you could you recommend any governmental or private organizations that could benefit from my environmental presentations at their conferences or meetings.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,



Lori Weiss

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 16, 1993

Mr. Eric Weikart
536 West 111st, Apt. 5
New York, N.Y. 10025

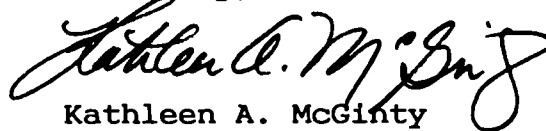
Dear Mr. Weikart:

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 believe that further study of the options involved is necessary for an informed and balanced decision to be made. Rest 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Kathleen A. McGinty". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kathleen" being more prominent and the last name "McGinty" following in a similar style.

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

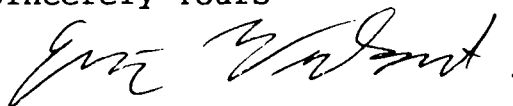
I am writing to you on what I consider a blatant waste of taxpayers funds. In government there can be no excuse for such a terrible waste of money. I am speaking to you about the Animal Damage Control Program (ADC); a program designed to subsidize the livestock industry. The Animal Damage Control Program attempts to create a zero risk atmosphere for the cattle industry on both public and private lands.

In fiscal year 1992 over 109 thousand predatory animals and 1.5 million birds were "reported" killed by the ADC. It's killing methods -- poison baits, traps, snares, denning and aerial gunning -- are indiscriminate and inhuman. Many of the tactics kill non-target species including; eagles, mountain lions, seagulls, wolves and millions of blackbirds. At the same time as the government is spending millions of dollars to save endangered species and reintroduce endangered species into the environment, the ADC program is spending millions of dollars to kill endangered species.

I am writing to you as an environmentalist and a taxpayer who just recently graduated from college with a degree in human ecology. ADC is not only a waste of taxpayer money it is also counterproductive.

Ecologists have come to understand that when you remove larger predator populations other smaller or more adaptive predators fill the niche. The experience the entire country has undergone with the spread of coyotes from coast to coast is an example of that. Coyotes have replaced the larger and more "controllable" wolves. It is my hope that under the current administration you can, but an end to this wasteful use of government resources by the ADC program. The ADC program, in my opinion, is no different than a paid hunting club.

Sincerely Yours



Eric Weikart

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 16, 1993

Mr. William White
887 Erringer Street
Simi Valley, CA 93065

Dear Mr. White:

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

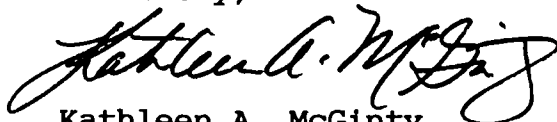
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William S. White
887 Erringer St.
Simi Valley, CA 93065
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Mrs. Katie McGinty, Deputy Assistant to the President
Director-Office of Environmental Policy
Room 360, Old Executive Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20501

September 4, 1993

Dear Mrs. McGinty:

This may be a little late but I am very concerned about what is happening in the Pacific Northwest Forest area. I am currently doing a walk in Canada and have not been able to keep up with the news. Below are my concerns:

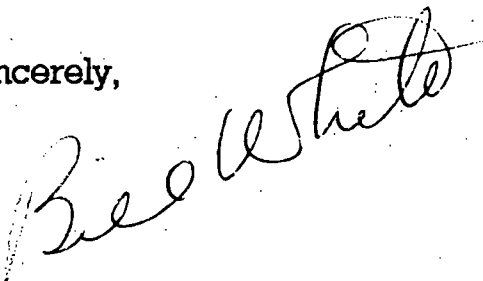
Please relay my concerns that President Clinton adhere to his promise to develop a scientifically sound, ecologically credible and legally responsible plan for protecting the Pacific Northwest's public forests. All remaining ancient forests must be protected.

I would also like the export of all raw logs be stopped. Please insist that the president work to keep log processing jobs in the U.S. and export only finished wood products.

Also, economic assistance and investment opportunities should be provided to rural fish and timber related communities in the Northwest.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bill White", written in dark ink.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 16, 1993

Mr. Richard Weibalk
36 Brunswick Avenue
Williston, NY 11596

Dear Mr. Weibalk:

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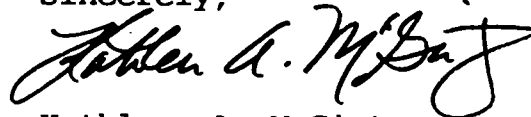
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Kathleen A. McGinty
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RICHARD WIEBALK
36 BRUNSWICK AVENUE
WILLISTON PARK, NY 11596

10 SEPTEMBER 1993

KATHLEEN MCGINTY, DIRECTOR
OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY
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WASHINGTON, DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty,

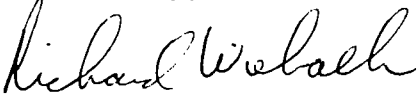
I would like to take this opportunity to comment on President Clinton's Forest Plan. The plan is good in that it will retrain loggers and encourage a change in the economy of the Pacific Northwest, hopefully it will also help to restore their forests and watersheds.

I do, however, believe that there are certain parts of the plan that need to be reinforced before it is approved. First of all, we should prohibit logging in forest reserves. Second, reduce excessive logging around streams outside of the reserves. Thirdly, we must keep adaptive management practices out of ancient forests. Lastly, salvage logging on forests east of the Cascade range must be restricted.

Please take these points into consideration before you finalize President Clinton's Forest Plan and keep me informed of its progress.

Thank you.

Sincerely,


Richard Wiebalk

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 16, 1993

Ms. Krista Kay Woelfer
14641 N.E. Russell Ct.
Portland, OR 97230

Dear Ms. Woelfer:

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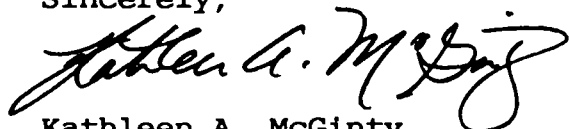
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Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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KATHLEEN MCGINTY
WHITEHOUSE OFFICE ON ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY
1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE NW
WASHINGTON DC 20500

09:20:93

I AM CONCERNED WITH THE STATE OF THE NATIONS
FORESTS.

IT HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THAT THE
FOREST SERVICE NEEDS TO SELL SECOND GROWTH FORESTS TO
THE TIMBER INDUSTRY, RATHER THAN OLD GROWTH FORESTS.
OLD GROWTH FORESTS SURVIVE ONLY IF LEFT ALONE, WHILE
SECOND GROWTH MUST BE THINNED IN ORDER TO ESCAPE
STUNTED TREES, BUGHITS AND FIRES.

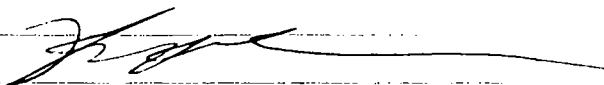
PLEASE ENCOURAGE THEM TO DO SO, VERBALLY AND
FINANCIALLY.

SECONDLY, PLEASE REPEAL ANY TAX BREAKS GIVEN
FOR THE EXPORT OF RAW TIMBER. WE HAVEN'T GOT IT TO
SPARE. AND ENCOURAGE TIMBER TOWNS TO PRODUCE
FINISHED WOOD PRODUCTS. SECONDARY MANUFACTURING IN
SAID TOWNS WOULD CREATE NEEDED JOBS.

AND PLEASE, DO NOT SOLVE THE TIMBER CRISIS
HERE IN THE NORTHWEST BY SHIFTING THE PROBLEM TO
OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, SUCH AS MONTANA OR
IDAHO.

FINALLY, WE MUST REDUCE OUR USE OF OUR
FORESTS. ENCOURAGE RECYCLING, AND THE USE OF
WOOD ALTERNATIVES. PLEASE MAKE THIS SO WE
CAN NOT AFFORD TO GIVE THE TIMBER INDUSTRY
"A BREAK" ANY LONGER. MUCH TOO MUCH IS AT
STAKE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME,



KRISTA KAY WOELFER

14241 NE RUSSELL CT.
PORTLAND OR 97230

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 12, 1993

Ms. Marilyn Walker
335 East 19th Avenue
Columbus, OH 43201

Dear Ms. Walker:

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

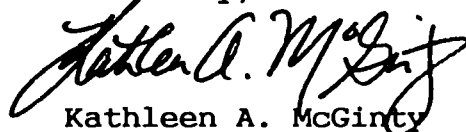
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Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me.

Sincerely,



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

KAM/avl

Sum. 10/31/93

Marilyn Welker

Dear Ms. McInty,

I write out of deep concern for the future of the Siskiyou Forest in Southern Oregon. I understand it is the most diverse coniferous forest in the world, a true treasure of the ancient forest ecosystem. We must begin to think of the seventh generation in our actions, and understand how such areas enrich our lives into the seventh generation.

Please permanently withdraw all Siskiyou Nat'l Forest Roadless Areas from logging and development. Also, please support Forest Plan Option 1, which would create a true Ancient Forest Reserve System, protected from all logging.

Thank you for your leadership on this issue.

Sincerely,
Marilyn Welker

(335 E. 19th Ave.
Columbus, Ohio
43201)

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 12, 1993

Mr. Duane Wilcox
135 Simsbury Drive
Ithaca, NY 14850

Dear Mr. Wilcox:

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

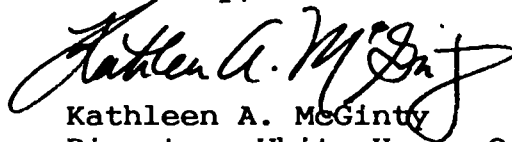
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Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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135 Simsbury Drive

November 2, 1993

Ms Kathleen McGinty

Office of Environmental Policy

Old Executive Office Bldg, Rm 358

Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms McGinty:

Election Day 1993 seems like a good day to write to the White House about the Ancient Forest issue.

Last year on Election Day, I was at our polling place at 6:00 a.m., hoping to be the first in Tompkins County to cast a vote and thereby put Clinton and Gore in the lead in this county. We had contributed to Bill Clinton's campaign even before he won the nomination and continued to respond to the urgent appeals for more cash right up to about a week before the election. All told, we gave \$400. That's small potatoes, of course, in relation to the amounts given by "the big guys," but for us it was a very major amount -- in fact, \$400 more than we have ever given any other Presidential and Vice-Presidential nominees. A very major reason was because we hoped that Clinton and Gore would take strong actions to preserve the little that remains of the Ancient Forests.

Low Gold was in town last night with his marvelous slide show and an update on the actions of the Clinton administration on this issue. As my wife put it on the way home, it appears that Clinton and Gore have "wimped out" on this one. I would go farther-- it sounds like the Clinton administration is also trying to deceive us into thinking its policy choices would save much more of the Ancient Forest than they really will.

I am severely disappointed. Only 10% or less of our Ancient Forest left -- much, much worse than the Amazon Basin situation, and you folks endorse destroying yet another major portion of this valuable biological store house. For shame! I wish we had given over \$400 to Lou Gold's organization -- and if there were any way to get it back and give it to them, we would sure as Hell do it!

In great disappointment,

Duane Wilcox

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 12, 1993

Mr. Ben Weil
3816 Nicholson Street
Hyattsville, MD 20782

Dear Mr. Weil:

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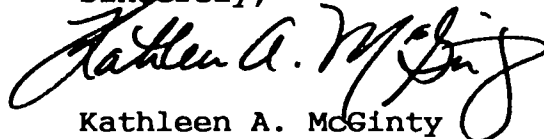
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October 31, 1993

Ben Weil
3816 Nicholson St.
Hyattsville, MD 20782

Kathleen McGinty
Office of Environmental Policy
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Washington, DC 20501

Dear Ms McGinty,

The endangered Siskiyou Forest in southwestern Oregon merits your urgent attention and concern. The Siskiyou is the largest, most intact Ancient Forest on the west coast, with almost 300,000 acres of unprotected roadless wildlands. It is a global treasure, one of the most extraordinary sites of biodiversity in the world. Scientists have recognized this region as one of the most biologically valuable areas in all of North America. We have been given the responsibility of it's stewardship. Please do not allow these irreplaceable wild areas -- vital 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.

As you are well aware, this issue is not a question of jobs versus environment, but of what kind of jobs and what kind of environment. I pray that you will choose a sustainable policy. Our current logging policy will not sustain either the forests or the jobs. Never in the history of human inhabitation of the Earth has there been such rapid deforestation. As the logging industry becomes more automated, the harvest increases, while workers are laid-off. Even re-planting clear-cut mountainsides can not remedy the damage to the ecosystem. Without strong enforceable limits on logging, the industry will continue to destroy our Ancient Forest heritage until the industry has made itself obsolete. The jobless then will place the blame rightly on us and what we do or don't do now.

But there are many things we can do now; and we must act now because in one day a small logging operation can lay bare an entire mountainside. We must create an Ancient Forest Reserve System based on the highest level of protection recommended by the Scientific Panel on Late-Successional Forests. We must assure equal protection of the east side forests of Oregon and Washington and the Sierra Nevada Range of California. We can only sustain the jobs involved in the western fishing industry if we protect the watersheds and salmon spawning habitat. We need a forest restoration and rehabilitation program which can employ displaced workers and repair the damage caused by years of overcutting and mismanagement of our public forests. Lastly, we can keep more jobs in the U.S. if we severely limit raw log exports. Even Less-Developed Countries don't allow the exploitation of their natural resources by foreign business. How can we rebuild our economy if we export raw materials instead of value-added goods? We should not export our natural treasures and jobs to the newly

industrialized East.

Please use your advisory powers to help the president to permanently withdraw all Siskiyou National Forest Roadless Areas from logging and development. Adopt Forest Plan Option 1 of the Spotted Owl Environmental Impact Statement, which would create a true Ancient Forest Reserve System, protected from all logging. Old growth forests are not renewable. It takes five hundred years to grow a five hundred year-old tree.

Please adopt Forest Plan Option One and allow no exceptions to existing environmental laws. I remain your loyal supporter.

Sincerely,

Ben Weil

Ben Weil

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 12, 1993

Ms. Margi Willowmoon
630 S.E. Atwood Avenue
Corvallis, OR 97333

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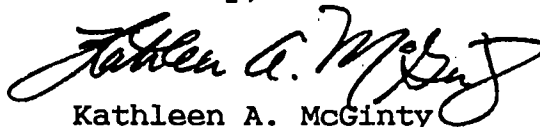
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Sincerely,



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

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The beluga (white) whale is just one of many rare species threatened by hydro-power development in James Bay, Canada. NRDCs fighting to stop the mega-project that would flood a wilderness area the size of New Hampshire.

Dear Ms McGinty

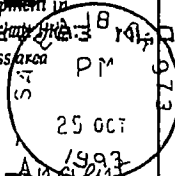
Regarding NW Ancient
Forests...
Option 9 must be revised!

- Permanently protect Old Growth
- Do not allow logging in roadless areas. No more roads in ancient forests!!
- Stop decimating riparian zones.
- Which is more important? Money or life itself?

Natural Resources Defense Council

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Katie McGinty
Office of Environmental Policy
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Washington, DC 20501

Recycled Paper

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 12, 1993

Ms. Jaime Wu
Ms. Sharlene Shah
1286 Sierra Madre Blvd.
San Marino, CA 91108

Dear Ms. Wu and Ms. Shah:

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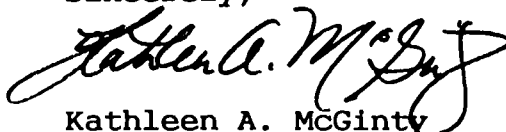
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Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me.

Sincerely,



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

KAM/avl

Dear Ms. Katie McGinty,

We feel strongly that the President's forest plan is destroying too much of our ancient forests. We believe the should save the last 10% of the ancient forests including the animals which live in them. There are five specific points which should be in the plan:

- 1) Logging ruins our ancient forest reserves. The forests which remain should stay off-limits to logging. The dead and decaying trees should also be preserved.
- 2) The areas of the forests that do not have roads should be left alone and not converted into roads. Roads built in forests can lead to further destruction of our environment.
- 3) Fish habitats, inside and outside of the reserves, should be fully protected. Logging by streamsides should be prohibited because the streambeds will increase the probability of floods, degraded water quality, and salmon extinction.
- 4) Forests are being harmed by experimental projects. The forests should be conserved as ancient forests. Local residents should not have more power over the forests, than those who do not live near them.
- 5) Ancient forests should be preserved because it supports many plants and animals. Killing the forests, including the plants and animals, is also killing part of our earth!

Sincerely,

Jaime Wu
Jaime Wu

Sharlene Shah

Sharlene Shah

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 16, 1993

Mr. David Wilhelm
Chairman
Democratic National Committee
430 South Capitol Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

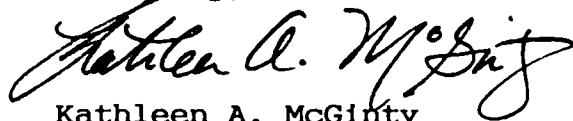
Dear Mr. Wilhelm:

Thank you for your recent letter calling my attention to Ms. Claudia Thompson's efforts with respect to recycling. It was good to hear from you.

The preservation of the environment continues to be one of this Administration's highest priorities. As you may know, President Clinton recently signed the Executive Order on Federal Acquisition, Recycling, and Waste Prevention, which will reduce solid waste, build markets for recycled products, encourage new technologies and protect the environment. I share the President's deep interest in spurring our nation's recycling efforts and promoting a healthy environment. I appreciate learning about Ms. Thompson's work, Recycled Papers: The Essential Guide, and I have shared this information with Mr. Brian Johnson of my office who is handling environmental technology and procurement issues. We will certainly keep your letter on file for future reference.

Again, thank you for sharing this information with me.

Sincerely,



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

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DEMOCRATIC ★ NATIONAL ★ COMMITTEE

David Wilhelm, Chairman

Cathy Zoi

October 13, 1993

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

Dear Ms. McGinty:

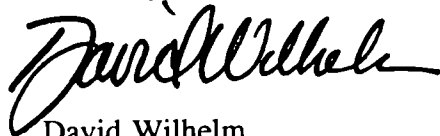
I am writing to call your attention to the credentials of Ms. Claudia Thompson, an environmental specialist from Cambridge, Massachusetts. She is interested in working with the Administration, specifically dealing with environmental issues.

Ms. Thompson recently published a book entitled Recycled Papers: The Essential Guide, in which she deals with the issue of paper recycling and environmental marketing claims. She has also been a consultant to the White House and to Congress on recycling policy, issues, and product development.

Ms. Thompson was a strong supporter of the Clinton/Gore campaign, and she has been a continual asset to the Party. Her inclusion in advisory groups, or utilization as a spokesperson for the Administration would certainly serve the President well.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



David Wilhelm
Chairman

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enclosure

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for bringing
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in recycling
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Claudia G. Thompson
206 Lakeview Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02138
617.354.0890

Accomplishments & Recent Work

Author of "Recycled Papers: The Essential Guide"

Founded and directed the national initiative to create this book, the only comprehensive resource on the subject, published by MIT Press and the American Institute of Graphic Arts in 1992. Responsible for all research, writing, design, and project administration. The three-year project included distribution of 7,000 copies to all AIGA members as an educational resource. Worked with a national Advisory Board and with individuals from the paper, printing, and graphic arts industries, as well as environmental activists, historians, and other citizens. Raised over \$180,000 in cash and in-kind donations. Supporters included the National Endowment for the Arts, the Joyce Mertz-Gilmore Foundation, the Environmental Protection Agency, and a broad coalition of other private foundations, corporations, and individuals.

National Speaker on Recycled Papers and Environmental Issues in Design

Lecture across the United States to industry, government, nonprofit groups and universities, in a wide variety of formats ranging from seminars of 30, to large conferences with over 1,000 participants. Audiences include the Association of American Publishers; Pulp & Paper Industry; CERMA Annual Symposium on Recycled Paper; National Recycling Coalition; the Annual Design Conferences of HOW Magazine, GRAFIX, and the American Institute of Graphic Arts; Women In Design; The Society of Printers; colleges and universities; and many others.

Consultant on Recycling Policy, Issues, and Product Development

Consultant to the White House, the U.S. Congress, and state and regional governments on public policy, statute development, and standards to regulate environmental marketing claims for recycled paper and recycled products. Consultant to corporations on environmentally responsible design and new product development, and to government and industry on product procurement, recycled paper specification, print performance, and related issues. Clients include the National Association of Printers & Lithographers, Portland METRO, businesses and nonprofit groups.

Practicing Professional Graphic Designer

Print and communication design completed for public and private clients throughout New England including the Conservation Law Foundation, The Trustees of Reservations, MIT Press, Lesley College, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, City of Boston, and private businesses. Design work encompasses conceptual development and all production stages, including full consideration of the environmental impacts of printing processes, paper and ink specification.

Recent Interviews & Appearances

The Boston Globe; Associated Press and nationwide affiliates; *Dayton Daily News*; Monitor Radio; WHYY Philadelphia; National Public Radio; *Printing Manager*; *Communication Arts*; *HOW Magazine*; many others.

Awards

Environmental Leadership Award, Cambridge Environmental Citizens Organization (1992)
Emma Willard School Alumnae Scholarship (1983)
Janet Howell Clark Prize for Interdisciplinary Excellence, University of Rochester (1975)

Education

MFA, *Graphic Design*, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence RI (1986)

BA, *Biology/Environmental Studies*, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY (1975)

Phi Beta Kappa, High Distinction

Recycled Papers: The Essential Guide
by Claudia Thompson

MIT Press, 1992. \$25 paper; \$40 cloth

Available at fine bookstores or call MIT Press at 800-356-0343 or 617-628-8569

Ms. Thompson received the 1992 *Environmental Leadership Award* from Cambridge ECO, in recognition of her dedication and achievement in completing this "outstanding, comprehensive, and much-needed new resource." The reviewers have written:

"This book tells you everything you want to know, and only that, in a graceful straightforward way.... Essential reading, indeed, for those to whom recycling and recycled paper are essential."

— ***Garbage Magazine***

"This book is an exquisite gem! All corporate and government purchasers and designers should be required to read it as a prerequisite for continuing in their jobs."

— ***Susan Kinsella, Californians Against Waste Foundation***

"An outstanding and well-balanced environmental as well as technical treatment of the world of paper, papermaking, and the present and future role of recycled paper. The book is replete with pleasant surprises! Its creative style of organization and presentation, including text, footnotes, and references, makes reading this publication a delight."

— ***Science Books & Films***

"A visually stunning book.... *Recycled Papers* is an invaluable publication. Well-written, well-researched, and beautifully laid out, this is a must-buy for recyclers."

— ***Recycling Times***

"This book provides a lucid explanation of the science, technology, business and politics of recycled paper and it gives practical advice on how to select paper that meets your needs."

— ***Denis Hayes, Chair, Earth Day***

"An aptly named book."

— ***Communication Arts***

"This new book is a must for anyone interested in paper recycling or for those involved in selecting paper for use at their place of employment. Where else can you get this much information in clear, nontechnical language?"

— ***Naturalist News***

"Recommended reading for both recycled paper manufacturers and recycled paper buyers and users."

— ***Progress in Paper Recycling***

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 8, 1993

Mr. Thurman H. Wilson
560 County Road 27
Monte Vista, CO 81144

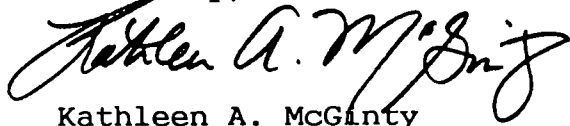
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Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me.

Sincerely,

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

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560 County Road 27
Monte Vista, CO 81144
October 20, 1993

Katie McGenty
Old Executive Office Building, RM 358
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I have heard many rumors recently that the Department of Agriculture is planning to replace Dale Robertson as Chief of the Forest Service with a political appointee. I personally support Chief Robertson, a true champion of reinventing government, but I don't dispute your administration's right to appoint a new leader for the Forest Service. I do urge you to appoint a qualified professional through the civil service process when you or Secretary Espy selects a new Chief.

I am a professional forester who is about half way through an intended career with the US Forest Service. I believe having a career professional at the head of the agency has resulted in the Forest Service having much more credibility than other agencies with political appointees. Forest management is a long-term concern that could be undermined by making the Chief's position a political appointment.

Respectfully,



Thurman H. Wilson

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 8, 1993

Mr. Jack Weissling
Forest Supervisor
U.S. Department of Agriculture
1920 Valley Drive
Pueblo, CO 81008

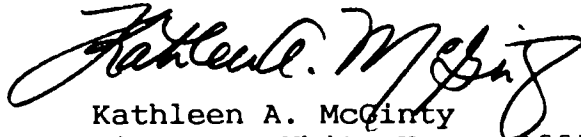
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United States
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Pike and San Isabel
National Forests
Comanche and Cimarron
National Grasslands

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Reply to: 1000

Date: October 21, 1993

Honorable Katy McGinty
Office of the Environment
Old Executive Office Building, Room 358
Washington D.C. 20501

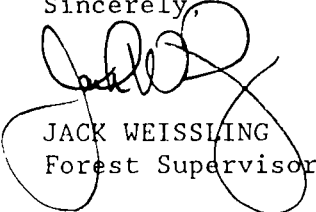
Dear Ms. McGinty,

As Forest Supervisor of the Pike and San Isabel National Forests and Cimarron and Comanche National Grasslands I would like to share my perceptions about the proposed replacement of F. Dale Robertson as Chief of the USDA Forest Service.

I have been in the Forest Service for approximately 36 years, Forest Supervisor for 15. The long term goal of the Forest Service is to provide for sustainable levels of a multitude of conflicting uses and products from the National Forests and Grasslands. We, as Forest Service employees, feel that we are holding a vast resource for the long term benefits of a society in the midst of significant change. As you know, our management opportunities are affected by the Administration, Congress, and a large number of individuals, groups, and corporations who have an interest in the resources we manage. I am proud to be a Forest Service employee and proud of the changes that the agency has gone through in the last 6 years under the leadership of Dale Robertson. We have, within many constraints, changed positively through his initiatives, including "Rise to the Future," "Towards a Multicultural Workforce," and his "New Perspectives" and "Ecosystem Management" programs.

I personally support Dale's continuation as Chief of the Forest Service. If, however, you do decide to replace him I strongly support the notion that you replace him with a careerist. We need a leader that can communicate with us in a way that recognizes our objectives, aspirations, and values. The majority of the Forest Service workforce is solidly behind "Ecosystem Management" and the improved public service objectives identified in the National Performance Review. We need the Administration, and Congress', support to implement them. The Forest Service workforce deserves a leader that can focus on the long term goals of the agency with minimum concerns about bipartisan politics. Please use the Senior Executive Service to give us a career Chief who can gain respect based on professionalism, improve our ability to meet long term goals, and prevent the long term impacts of a political appointment.

Sincerely,



JACK WEISSLING
Forest Supervisor

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 3, 1993

Mr. Bruce Weddle
Office of Municipal and
Industrial Waste
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
401 M Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20460

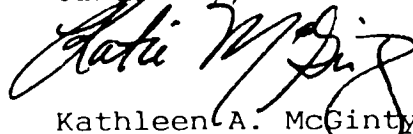
Dear Mr. Weddle:

I would like to thank you for your assistance on the Executive Order on Federal Acquisition, Recycling, and Waste Prevention. President Clinton and I believe that this initiative will achieve the desired results of spurring recycling efforts and promoting a healthy environment, and I know that your efforts were invaluable to our success.

As you know, the Order will reduce solid waste, build markets for recycled products, encourage new technologies and protect the environment. I certainly appreciate all of your hard work that went into the development of this important initiative.

Again, thanks for your dedication to this effort. I look forward to working with you as we move toward implementation.

Sincerely,



Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 2, 1993

Mr. Edward O. Welles
2319 King Place, N.W.
Washington, DC 20007

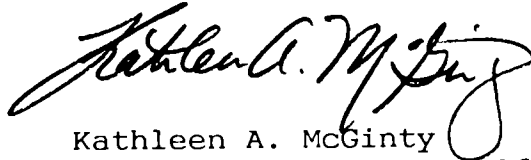
Dear Mr. Welles:

Thank you for contacting me regarding Ralph Fisher's patented air conditioning technology. 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 you sending me Mr. Abrahms' article on Mr. Fisher's work.

Again, thank you for letting me hear from you.

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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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Edward O. Welles

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13 July 1993

Ms. Katherine McGinty
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

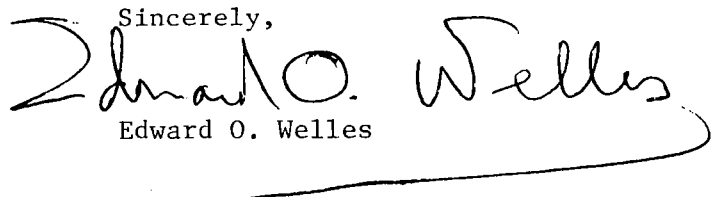
Dear Ms. McGinty,

No doubt you have walked into a position which leaves little room for idleness. I have confidence you will organize the overall effort so that energy issues are sensibly and effectively dealt with. I happen to be among those committed to conservation, new and improved technologies, development of renewable sources of energy and most certainly reduction of dependence on imported petroleum. Having so stated, it is obvious I hope you and all the concerned Departments will move in directions I feel are vital. I can assure you that in the past I have been less than encouraged by responses I have encountered in several DOE offices.

However, I am not writing to complain about the past but more important to draw your attention to the enclosed article. It happens I am a strong supporter of the technology patented by Mr. Ralph Fisher and hope to live to the day when its use is truly widespread. You may count on me to keep you posted on developments. Should you or someone concerned on your staff wish to see an installation in operation you need go no further than the main I.R.S. building on Constitution Avenue in the city. It is a tribute to the management in that building that they have been willing to take the plunge so to speak and commit to installation of a number of Fisher System units. Beyond the rebates earned and power saved I am confident the cooling of the spaces served by Automatic Controls equipment is very effective even in the hot days of a Washington summer.

Best wishes in your new position. May you achieve a considerable measure of success.

ENC- Abrahms article
CC - Mr. Ralph Fisher

Sincerely,

Edward O. Welles

TECHNOLOGY

Area inventor's cool idea slashes AC costs

Inventors are a strange breed, consumed with technology and oftentimes battling conventional wisdom and its limitations.

Ralph Fisher is one such person, who has been working on a higher efficiency air conditioner for more than 20 years. One of his first customers was the main IRS building downtown, which cut its AC bill by more than 50 percent, said Kelvin Mims, the building's general foreman.

One system was rated for 30 tons — the amount of air pushed through the system multiplied by a heat factor — but Fisher's system was able to reach the same cooling with only 12 tons.

Mims said he doesn't know exactly how it works but that it resulted in the government tax agency receiving hefty energy rebates from Potomac Electric Power Co. along with yearly energy savings.

Fisher, who owns a heating and air-conditioning company called Automatic Controls Inc. in Ellicott City, achieves this savings by subcooling the refrigerant before it reaches the compressor, like automatic transmission fluid lines that run through car radiators achieve a cooling effect.

Air-conditioners cool air by transferring the heat to refrigerants. The liquid refrigerant is cooled by compressing it but that step eats up energy.

Fisher builds a mini-cooling tower that uses only one kilowatt of energy to bring down refrigerant temperatures to 80 degrees from about 115 degrees.

"The idea of subcooling is nothing new, but the method in his machine seems to be quite effective," said Greg Leifer, a Pepco engineer who has seen Fisher's technology.

Leifer and Fisher disagree over the total energy savings, but Leifer said Pepco has paid energy rebates for Fisher's installations.

If Fisher's system only cut the electric demand by half on a air conditioner using 40 kilowatts, the savings are substantial. Pepco pays \$350 per kilowatt saved, plus monthly electric bills would be pared more than \$300 during the summer.

Fisher, a self-proclaimed "energy conservation nut," has been working with cooling systems since the 1960s, when he was in the Navy. He was obsessed with finding out where the heat went once it went into the refrigerant, and couldn't find an adequate response from his instructors or in library books, he said.

He figured how to subcool the refrigerant but then wasn't able to modify traditional air conditioners to make them work. Ultimately, he downsized every component because subcooling the refrigerant made it more efficient and Fisher didn't need to use as much.

He has demonstrated further energy savings by cooling the refrigerant to 55 degrees using ice water, and Fisher continues to experiment.

"It took me 20-odd years to pull this together," said Fisher, who obtained a patent on the system in 1985.

Fisher installed a handful of his hybrid systems, but each one takes an act of faith by the buyer because Fisher's systems look so much smaller than traditional units. He has become frustrated in trying to convince air conditioning man-

ufacturers to study his system, which would make installations a little harder but ultimately save energy.

"With the simultaneous increasing demand for energy and decreasing resources necessary

for the production of that energy, our long-term ability to sustain our present means of survival is at serious risk," he said. "Realizing that what I present and represent cannot solve the problems as a whole, I know it can make a difference."



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 2, 1993

Dr. David Wolfe
Associate Professor
Department of Fruit and Vegetable Science
Cornell University
134-A Plant Science Building
Ithaca, NY 14853-0327

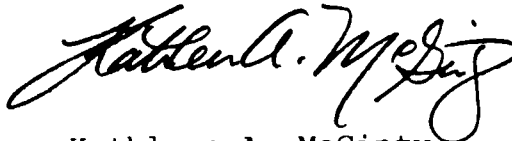
Dear Dr. Wolfe:

Thank you for contacting me regarding the efforts of Cornell's Center for the Environment. 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 receiving a copy of your book announcement. Thank you for sharing this information with me, and I wish you the best of success.

Again, thank you for letting me hear from you.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty
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June 21, 1993

Katie McGinty
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Bldg.
Suite 360
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I would like to bring to your attention two items:

(1) Enclosed is an announcement of our book, "**Agricultural Dimensions of Global Climate Change**", that evolved from a conference we held here at Cornell last October. Several Washington staffers gave presentations and the audience was a good mix of scientists and policy makers. The book reflects this blend of perspectives. My personal expertise is in plant ecology/physiology; I co-authored a chapter that discusses uncertainties regarding the so-called "CO₂ fertilization effect". Please let me know if you think this is a reference you or your office staff would find useful, and I will arrange to have a complimentary copy sent to you.

(2) I would like to bring to your attention that Cornell has established a new **Center for the Environment** with goals that are very similar to the "Strategic Environment Initiative" outlined by Al Gore. The resources and momentum that we have here at Cornell could, if properly channeled, provide considerable assistance in the implementation of the public education and research objectives of a SEI plan. As a land-grant institution, we could be particularly helpful with agriculture-environment issues, and provide an alternative perspective from that of USDA.

I wish you and your staff the very best at developing an effective strategy for facilitating environmental policy decision-making. Let me know if you want a copy of the book.

Sincerely,



David W. Wolfe
Assoc. Professor

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 2, 1993

Mr. Robert Woodmansee
Executive Director, Sustainable Biosphere Initiative
2010 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite 420
Washington, DC 20036

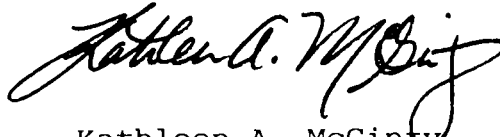
Dear Mr. Woodmansee:

Thank you for contacting me regarding the Sustainable Biosphere Initiative Project Office. 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 about this initiative to link environmental policy and scientific knowledge. This administration encourages such attempts to integrate different scholarly approaches to policy making for ideas that provide a balance of interests.

Again, thank you for letting me hear from you.

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

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SUSTAINABLE BIOSPHERE INITIATIVE

2010 Massachusetts Avenue, NW
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(202) 833-8748

TO: Katie McGinty, Director, Office of Environmental Policy
FROM: Robert Woodmansee, Executive Director
RE: Linking Scientific Knowledge and Resource Management Needs: A Systems Approach
DATE: September 21, 1993

The Sustainable Biosphere Initiative (SBI) Project Office, a project of the Ecological Society of America (ESA), constitutes a powerful mechanism for creating cooperative partnerships between the scientific community and other constituencies searching for solutions to issues of scientific import and policy relevance. The goals of the SBI Office are twofold: stimulate generation of high quality scientific knowledge; and, insure its application in making decisions on critical environmental issues that concern society.

Over the last one and a half years, the SBI has met monthly with a Working Group representing 15 federal agencies (BLM, BuREC, BIA, CSRS, DOD, DOE, DOI, EPA, FWS, USFS, USGS, NASA, NBS, NOAA, NPS, NSF). Working in partnership, they are exploring ways to link science, policy and management to achieve sustainability of ecological systems through a process that emphasizes local, grass-roots input and incorporates all pertinent issues (e.g., from economic sustainability to environmental equity).

The Working Group discerned the need for ways to address significant scientific and resource management issues at a regional scale. The *vision* of the SBI and the Working Group is to demonstrate a *process* whereby *several agencies (regulatory, scientific and management; federal, state and local) can work together with the scientific community and other regional stakeholders to meet a common objective: sustainability of critical systems -- ecologically, culturally and economically*. Such a process will be essential for implementing an ecosystem management approach to land and resource management.

The enclosed document briefly describes the purposes, objectives and mechanics of this process. In addition, two short case studies are included as examples of geographic regions where such a process might be applied to bring the best science to bear on resource management and environmental issues.

We would appreciate your feedback and interest in this document and the process it describes. If I can answer any questions, please contact me at 202-833-8748.

Sincerely,

Robert Woodmansee
Executive Director



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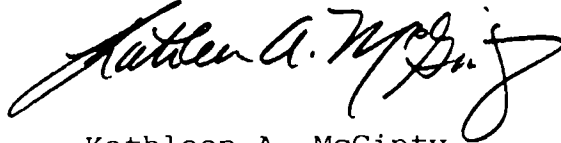
Dear Ms. Wilder-Thomas:

Thank you for contacting me regarding the Shawnee National Forest in Southern Illinois. 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 receiving information on the forest and the rich wildlife that depends on its health. I have forwarded your information to my staff member who works on this issue.

Again, thank you for letting me hear from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Kathleen A. McGinty". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kathleen" and last name "McGinty" clearly legible.

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

KAM/jac

July 28, 1993

Dear Mrs. McGinty,

I have corresponded with you in the past about the Shawnee Nat. Forest in Southern Ill.

This is a new proposal for place in our small forest. We just lost the "Cryps Bend" lawsuit on a technicality, but it is in the heart of the biggest unbroken chunk of forest in Illinois. Logging is imminent in this critical habitat.

I have sent this proposal to Sec. Espy and Vice President Gore, asking them to work together to make appropriate recommendations to President Clinton.

Will you help? This is something that can be done to preserve our special biodiverse, scientifically rich forest lands.



I hope to hear from you -

Sincerely, Jan Wilder Thomas
618-564-2878