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July 7, 1993

Mr. Jean-Pierre Albarez
P.O. Box 1936
Lancaster, PA 17603

Dear Mr. Albarez:

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Sincerely,

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

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Jean-Pierre Albarez

P.O. Box 1936
Lancaster, PA 17603

25 June 93

DEAR MS. MCGINTY,

I DO HOPE THAT OUR PRESIDENT WILL ADHERE TO HIS PROMISE TO
PROTECT THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST'S PUBLIC FORESTS.

I SUPPORT ANY EFFORTS TO PROVIDE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AND
INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO RURAL FISH AND TIMBER RELATED
COMMUNITIES IN THE NORTHWEST.

Thank you.

J. P. Alvarez M.Ed.

July 7, 1993

Ms. Teresa Ashley
2505 Sutton Place
Lenoir, N.C. 28645

Dear Ms. Ashley:

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

KAM/avl

July 2, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
The White House Office of Environmental Policy
Fax# (202) 456-2710

Dear Ms. McGinty:

It has been announced that the Clinton Administration has decided to move forward with option 9 concerning the timber harvest levels in the Pacific Northwest.

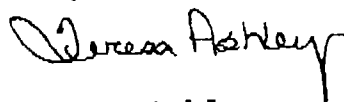
Option 9 will:

- 1) Reduce the harvest levels on federal forest lands in the Pacific Northwest to 1.2 billion board feet annually. This is 23% of the historic level of 5.2 billion board feet. Also please realize that prior to this reduction, one acre out of every seven acres was already off limits to timber harvesting because of wilderness or other designations.
- 2) Possibly be the straw that breaks the proverbial camel's back and push the United States into a recession or, in the worst case, a depression.
- 3) Hit the American consumer dead center again by increasing the cost of all products derived from forest products. Major products would include:
 - a) Increase dramatically again the cost of building a home.
 - b) Increase the cost of building rental property, and thereby rent, for both commercial and apartments or dwellings.
 - c) Increase indirectly the cost of all goods and services because of increased cost resulting from increased prices of constructing manufacturing and/or commercial buildings.
 - d) Decrease forest product exports and there-

- d) Decrease forest product exports and thereby worsen our balance of trade problem.
- e) Increase forest product imports and thereby worsen our balance of trade problem.
- f) Damage further the furniture business because furniture lumber will end up taking the place of the lost timber products from the Pacific Northwest.
- g) Make the cost of furniture prohibitive to many consumers because of higher prices required for furniture raw materials.
- h) Increase the price of the multitude of products which require raw materials from forest products (on a weight basis the quantity of wood used in the United States roughly equals the weight of all metals, all plastics and all portland cement combined).

Please, let us all stop trying to push our own selfish agendas and let us do something that is good for the United States of American and all of its citizens. Do not stab the average American citizen in the back by lowering their standard of living. Keep the forest product harvest on the public's land maximized by harvesting the annual growth each year. Please do not use Option 9 to lock away these vital renewable natural resources.

Very truly yours,



Teresa Ashley
2505 Sutton Place
Lenoir, N.C. 28645

copies: Senator Jesse Helms
Senator Lauch Faircloth
Representative Cass Ballenger

July 7, 1993

Mr. Todd Atkinson
P.O. Box 5009
Statesville, NC 28687-5009

Dear Mr. Atkinson:

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Sincerely,

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

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Date: 1 July 1993

Fax to: Katie McGinty

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The White House Office of Environmental Policy
Tom Collier
U.S. Department of the Interior
Jim Lyons
U.S. Department of Agriculture

From: Todd Atkinson

Ref: Option 9

Dear Katie, Tom, & Jim,

SAVE THE RAIN FOREST!!!!!!!!!!

The National Hardwood Lumber Association has just made me aware of the Clinton Administration's difficulties in reaching a negotiated accord with the forest products industry and related organized labor concerning harvest of timber in the 'Pacific Northwest'. As such, the Administration is attempting to implement Option 9 administratively in order to *reduce* harvest levels on federal forestlands there by 77%.

That's the great thing about America - we have the luxury of having federal forestlands in the first place, then leasing these public lands to private industry to promote *the local economy* and then when it becomes 'necessary' or 'politically correct' or 'the right thing to do no matter how much it may hurt at the time' we can pull the plug and say 'sorry, we goofed - now please find something else to do to earn a living'.

RETTED DEN REGENWALD!!!!!!!!

A couple of years ago the Deutsche Bundestag passed a regulation prohibiting the use of tropical hardwoods in German public buildings such as post offices, police stations, and Bundestags. This was done as a reaction to popular pressure from people who had heard about the Antarctic Ozone Hole (ever hear of atmospheric nuclear testing?) and the confirmed, irrevocable correlation between this Hole and the steady depletion of Equatorial Rain Forests. Their reasoning was:

- I. We have already saved the Elephant.
- II. We did this by banning the use of Ivory.

III. If we ban the use of tropical hardwoods, we will also save the *Regenwald*
Q.E.D.

This reasoning ignores the primordial truths that:

- I. A tree is not an elephant
- II. Trees stay planted in one place - an elephant is free to and must move about, and as such:
- III. Trees are generally counted as the property of the landholder or lease holder - only PT Barnum and the San Diego Zoo etc. own elephants
- IV. If a landowner cannot benefit from the harvest of trees on an immediate and continuing basis, he'll be forced to *clear the land anyway and get involved in agriculture or ranching* or some such heinous endeavor as mining in Jamaica or Guyana.
- V. When his trees become a lucrative business through added-value and export to more developed countries he'll watch them like a hawk.

VIVA LA ADMINISTRACION CLINTON!!!!!!!!!!

I work in and plan to relocate to Mexico in order to *stimulate my own private little economy* by taking advantage of measures provided for in Bush's Hillary-Rodham's President Bill Clinton's NAFTA. One way for the Mexicans to progress and industrialize is to **purchase lumber from West Coast producers such as Sierra Pacific, Contact Lumber, Louisiana Pacific, G-P, etc.**, machine it, and sell it in their own markets. The timber is currently cheaper than their own domestic supply (for equal quality timber) because all they have left is relatively inaccessible due to unscientific forestry practices such as clearing the land and getting involved in agriculture or ranching. If U.S. manufacturers such as **Masco, Bassett, Broyhill etc.** are to set up shop in Mexico in order to use superior production methods to capture Mexican market share and send all those *nuevos pesos* back to **Nationsbank** and **First Union** they're going to need a consistent, dependable supply of quality raw material. It would be a commercial tragedy if they were forced to **spend dollars to buy this raw material** from the **Canadians** or the **Chileans**.

HERE'S TO 20/20 VISION!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

We saved the elephant! We've put an end to atmospheric nuclear testing! We're cool and since everybody wants to be like us they'll have their federal government take title to huge tracts of undeveloped land, close it to any further development, and finally repair the Earth's Lungs, because, Hey! we've quit smoking as well and we think globally and act locally! We eat Vermont's Finest Ice Cream! And so will everybody else - except those nasty Canadians, Mexicans, and Chileans - because:

believe it or not, *they're even worse off economically than we are!*

Thanks and best regards,

Todd Atkinson

P.O. Box 5009

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July 7, 1993

Mr. Patrick Ashmore
17 Jefferson
Brudford, PA 16701

Dear Mr. Ashmore:

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

President Clinton and I are committed to the preservation of the environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. The President and I believe that the Forest Conference was a significant step toward the resolution of the problems facing the Pacific Northwest. After the conference, three working groups were established to work on developing a Forest Management Plan. These working groups included a team working on ecosystem management assessment, a team focusing on labor and community assistance, and a team working to improve the relationships among federal and state agencies in the region and to eliminate impediments that block coordinated action.

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Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me.

Sincerely,

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

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Patrick Calmore
17 Jefferson
Bradford, Pa 16701

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

Dear Mr. Mc Ginty,

I want to ask you
to relay these concerns.

President Clinton
adhere to his promise to
develop a scientifically
sound, ecologically
credible and legally
responsible plan for
protecting the Pacific
Northwest's public
forest;

all remaining
ancient forest be protected
the export of raw
log be stopped. I insist that
the President work to
keep log processors in.

July 7, 1993

Mr. Larry Arnold
P.O. Box 115
Friendship, WI

Dear Mr. Arnold:

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

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Environmental Policy

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July 1, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
The White House Office of Environmental Policy

It is noted the Clinton Administration has changed direction in spite of facts brought out in President Clinton's conference with Pacific Northwest Labor and management in the forest products industry. The Option 9, now being considered, is indirectly opposed to good forestry practice and our improving economy.

Over mature forests are not beautiful. An over-matured tree is ripe for nature's harvest through blow-downs, insect damage, rot, etc.

Option 9 will reduce harvest lands on federal forest lands in the Pacific Northwest to 1-2 billion B.F., 23% below the historical level of 5.2 billion B.F. annually.

Option 9 will cost over 85,000 direct and indirect jobs in this single region.

Option 9 will shift a demand on the timber supplies of the South, Central and East forest lands in crisis levels.

Option 9 will impact lumber pricing to levels risking the improving economy.

Please re-open the dialogue for a more balanced proposal.

Sincerely yours,

Larry Arnold
PO Box 115, Friday Harbor, WA

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 20, 1993

Mr. Craig R. Andersson
President and Chief
Operating Officer
Aristech Chemical Corporation
600 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear Mr. Andersson:

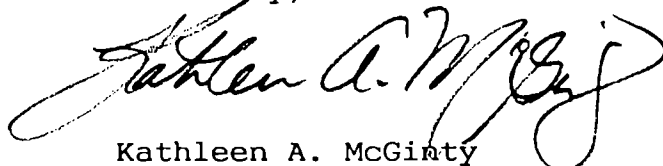
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As you may know, on June 23, 1993 the Environmental Protection Agency released a package of administrative actions to improve the Superfund program. This document did not include any initiatives to limit the liability of municipalities with regard to cleanup costs. In order to examine long-term improvements of Superfund, EPA Administrator Browner established the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT). This body will evaluate the current performance of the Superfund program, identify administrative and legislative options to improve the program, and assess the advantages and disadvantages of these options. Administrator Browner requested that the NACEPT explore possible policy options with regard to municipal liability in the Superfund program. NACEPT is expected to report to Administrator Browner in October.

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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Via Fax

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Craig R. Andersson
President
Chief Operating Officer

June 18, 1993

Ms. Kathleen A. McGinty
Deputy Assistant 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 express my and my Company's deep concern with a proposal the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is considering to exempt municipalities from superfund liability or to cap their liability at a prescribed level.

Aristech Chemical Corporation is a diversified producer of chemicals and plastics serving a large number of industrial and consumer product firms. By 1990, when the Company was taken private, it had achieved over one billion dollars in annual sales and employs over two thousand people. We currently operate ten manufacturing facilities in eight states and a nationwide distribution network. We compete in the international chemical trade, in which the U.S. has successfully and consistently maintained a significantly positive balance of trade. Again in 1992, the Chemical Industry was the largest positive balance of payments contributor in a negative balance of payments environment.

The proposal U.S. EPA is considering would ignore the need to maintain the global competitiveness of our industry. To adopt it would be bad policy, bad politics and bad economics.

The municipal share of liability at superfund sites is at least 15 billion dollars and likely to grow. The incentive for EPA to contain cleanup costs at these landfills would be lost if the cities were exempted. As a matter of policy and fairness, the carve-out for municipalities is wrong. As a matter of politics, an exemption for municipalities would only invite other groups to demand their own carve-outs, thereby further undermining the opportunity for comprehensive reform of a fundamentally flawed law.



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It is now widely recognized that superfund cries out for comprehensive reform. As Keith Schneider wrote in the first of a five-part series of articles on environmental policy which appeared last spring in the New York Times, "Perhaps no environmental program has come under more criticism than the superfund. ..." If this law has become so expensive and inequitable that we cannot justify it to our local governments, then piecemeal carve-outs are not the answer. This view is shared by a broad coalition of large industries, small businesses, non-profit organizations and municipal owners/operators of landfills. The process is already in place for a comprehensive review of the law by a public advisory committee which is to recommend reforms next fall. If the EPA circumvents this process by supporting a municipal carve-out, it will send a message that the agency is not truly committed to open dialogue and an equitable reform of the law.

Finally, exempting municipalities would result in an unfair shifting of many billions of dollars of liability from the cities to non-municipal parties, including the federal government. This shift would seriously harm industries which are trying to compete internationally and could bankrupt some smaller companies while increasing the federal government's clean-up costs. In this case, giving the municipalities what they want is against the public interest which you and they are pledged to serve.

I appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 20, 1993

Mr. Phillip D. Ashkettle
President and CEO
Reichhold Chemicals, Inc.
Corporate Headquarters
P.O. Box 13582
Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

Dear Mr. Ashkettle:

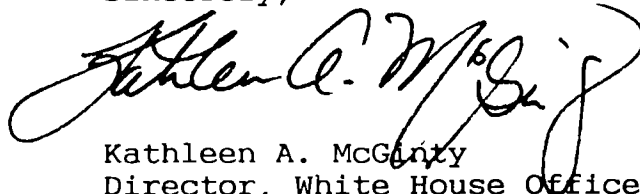
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Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-3582

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June 18, 1993

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

Re: **Carve-Outs from Superfund Liability for Municipalities**

Dear Ms. McGinty :

Reichhold, with more than 2,000 employees at over 30 locations is a leading manufacturer of polymers and adhesives for the coatings, adhesives, paper, textile, carpet, graphic arts and plastics markets. As a stakeholder in the Superfund program, I felt it was imperative to communicate Reichhold's opposition to any carve-outs from Superfund liability for municipalities.

Reichhold has participated in the Superfund program from its inception. While there is much to fault in the Superfund program, at least the principle of "the polluter pays" has been applied across the board. This equitable principle has been instrumental in promoting settlements for site clean ups among the regulated community. Superfund may not have been fair, but it was equally unfair to all. Capping cities' liability at four percent, or worse, exempting them totally will wreak havoc on a program that is already in trouble.

Exempting municipalities would eliminate an important stakeholder from the Superfund cleanup process, and significantly reduce the available funds necessary to accomplish cleanups. Taking municipalities out of the process will make settlements more difficult, if not impossible, and will only contribute to additional unnecessary litigation among those left to shoulder the cities' share of the burden. Worse still, it will result in even greater delays in cleanups.

Tel: (919) 990-7855

Fax: (919) 990-7868

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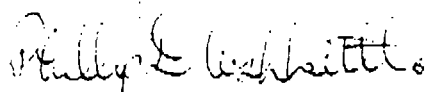
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This multi-billion dollar shift in liability to the rest of us (including the Federal Government) will clearly make it more difficult for America to compete internationally, and will force some smaller companies into bankruptcy. This increased burden on American competitiveness could not come at a worse time.

As a generator of solid waste that is often managed or disposed of by municipalities, Reichhold has a strong interest in insuring that municipalities manage their waste activities properly. Exempting municipalities from Superfund liability would eliminate the powerful incentive that municipal owners/operators of solid waste landfills have to manage their wastes appropriately.

In testimony before Congress last month, EPA Administrator Carol Browner indicated that she was developing a four-part "process for change" within EPA, which included the formation of an advisory group to develop recommendations to EPA for comprehensive Superfund reform. I urge you to give this "process for change" every opportunity to succeed, and not take preemptive action to satisfy one special interest group at the expense of comprehensive Superfund reform.

Very truly yours,



Phillip D. Ashkettle
President and CEO

PDA:DEU/amf

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 20, 1993

Mr. Charles Adams, Jr.
President
Chemical Products Corporation
Cartersville, GA 30120

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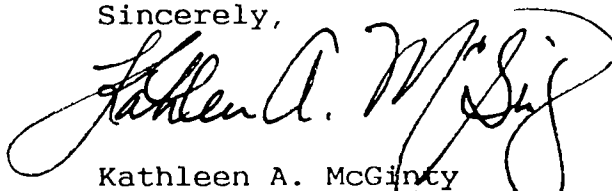
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CHEMICAL PRODUCTS CORPORATION

CARTERSVILLE, GEORGIA 30120

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June 16, 1993

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

Dear Ms. McGinty:

Chemical Products Corporation (CPC) has just learned that EPA is reviewing options for exempting municipalities from Superfund liability or capping their liability at the expense of industry. We are writing to express our strong opposition to either of these proposals.

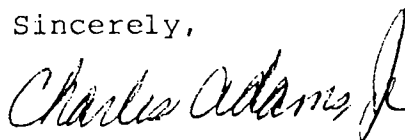
Industry studies have shown that over half of the cost of cleanup at a typical landfill can be attributed to the municipal waste present. Exempting municipalities from paying a fair share of the cleanup costs would result in a multi-billion dollar shift in liability from cities to non-municipal parties, primarily industry.

Many U.S. corporations, like CPC, are in direct competition with foreign producers and can raise prices only at the risk of losing essential business. To exempt municipalities would place one more unfair financial burden on U.S. industry already plagued by economic stress. CPC is particularly concerned that shifting the Superfund burden to industry would result in U.S. companies paying most of the cost of the cleaning up wastes from foreign products discarded in municipal landfills. In effect, U.S. companies would be subsidizing the foreign producers with whom they are trying to compete. It would be far more equitable to structure the Superfund fee such that foreign companies would be made to pay their fair share of these cleanup costs.

The EPA has recently announced the formation of a public advisory committee to review Superfund's problems, including municipal liability, and recommend reforms in the Fall of 1993. Exempting or limiting one groups liability will circumvent this group's ability to make progress on comprehensive Superfund reform. It will also cause more friction, more litigation, more delay and decrease the financial base from which Superfund must draw its funds.

We must work to make Superfund reform truly comprehensive, fair and make sure that the industrial base of this country can compete on a level playing field with foreign competition.

Sincerely,



Charles Adams, Jr.
President

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 20, 1993

Mr. Peter L. Agostini
Attorney at Law
Meyner and Landis
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Suite 2500
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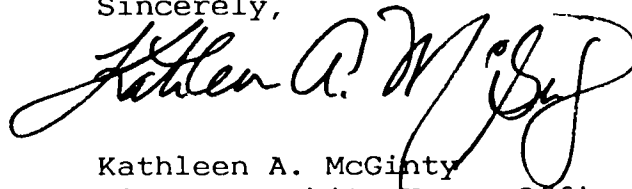
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June 7, 1993

VIA FACSIMILE NO. (202) 456-2710

Katie McGinty,
 Environmental Advisor to the President

Dear Ms. Browner:

This firm represents the Borough of Glen Ridge, located in Essex County, New Jersey.

In his first State of the Union address, President Clinton recognized the importance of the nation's toxic waste cleanup effort and pledged to remove the lawyers from the Superfund process. We are writing to urge the Administration to take one crucial step that could help accomplish that worthy goal. Please release an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) guideline that will relieve hundreds of local governments, thousands of small businesses, and countless citizens of the crushing burden of private party lawsuits designed to siphon billions of dollars of cleanup costs from polluting industries to the general taxpayer.

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Carol Browner, EPA Administrator
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June 7, 1993

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Very truly yours,

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Peter L. Agostini

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cc: Vincent Belluscio

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 20, 1993

Mr. Albert F. Appleton
Commissioner
New York Department of
Environmental Protection
59-17 Junction Blvd.
Corona, NY 11368

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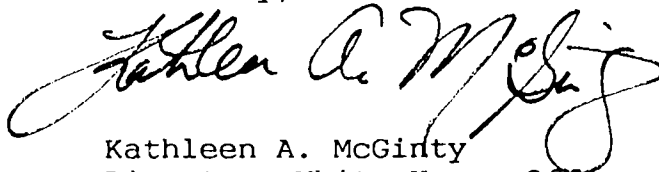
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June 15, 1993

New York City
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Ms. Kathleen McGinty
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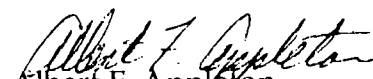
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 22, 1993

Ms. Autumn Allison
557 Mt. Dell Drive
Clayton, CA 94517

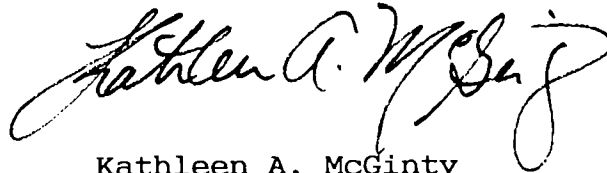
Dear Ms. Allison:

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

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

Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me.

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

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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July 28, 1993

Mr. Craig R. Adam
2333 Clark Avenue
Long Beach, CA 90815-1802

Dear Mr. Adam:

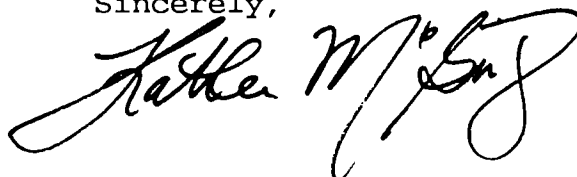
Thank you for contacting me regarding your concerns about government subsidies. I sincerely apologize for the delay in my response.

As you know, President Clinton and I are committed to the preservation of our environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth.

As you may know, this Administration is supportive of energy conservation and efficiency. For example, President Clinton signed an Executive Order committing the federal government to accelerate the purchase of alternative fuel vehicles. Additionally, we are in favor of a broad-based energy tax to promote conservation and deficit reduction goals.

Again, thank you for contacting me.

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Director, White House Office on
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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July 27, 1993

Ms. Lydia Ashley
1928 Wellington Place
Downers Grove, IL 60516

Dear Ms. Ashley:

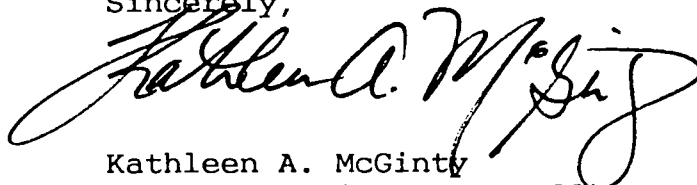
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LYDIA A. ASHLEY
1928 WELLINGTON PLACE
DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60516

Downers Grove, Ill.
July 17, 1993

Dear Ms. Kathleen Mc Ginty,

I am writing regarding a part of our natural world that is very precious now and for the future survival of all mankind on this planet. We in America need to consider this above all present concerns such as jobs and profits for the timber industry. Assistance for transition and forest restoration projects for displaced timber workers could be provided.

Can you please work to withdraw all Siskiyou National Forest Roadless Areas from logging and development? An Ancient Forest Reserve System needs to be created and also better enforcement of our environmental laws.

The endangered Siskiyou Forest in southwestern Oregon is the largest Ancient Forest ecosystem on the West Coast and a global treasure. Please do not let this area be sacrificed!

Sincerely yours,
Lydia A. Ashley

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 27, 1993

Mr. Gregory Alter
20 Cowper Avenue
Kensington, CA 94707

Dear Mr. Alter:

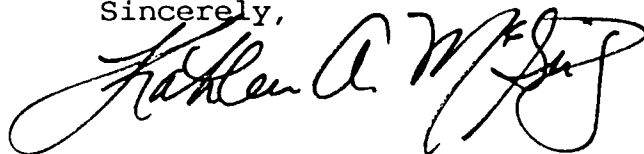
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Gregory Alter
20 Cowper Ave.
Kensington, CA 94707

June 30, 1993

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

Dear Ms. McGinty:

During the recent widely publicized Northwest Forest Conference, President Clinton pledged to craft a forest plan that would be "scientifically sound, ecologically credible, and legally responsible." In response, an Ecosystem Management Assessment team was created to come up with options to protect the remaining ancient forest ecosystems while mitigating short-term job loss.

Unfortunately, special interests have reportedly been mounting a major campaign to divert the result away from a sustained yield plan which would comply with existing law while protecting this resource. They are pushing fixed numbers (such as 2.5 billion board feet), regardless of its impact on the forests.

This approach is short-sighted in terms of timber industry jobs and would ignore fishery, forest and habitat protection and rehabilitation. These are the policies of the past that have given us the barren and eroding hillsides throughout the Northwest.

One of the most important principles is that of *sustained yield*. Regardless of what other practices are in effect, neither the health of the ecosystem, nor of the economy, can long endure the kind of harvest practices that have been followed up to now.

Please put the protection of these systems ahead of the short term "timber-mining" interests. Please believe me when I say, "I'll be watching you..." to ensure that the impact on forests becomes the key to any compromise--not haggling over the exact number of board feet to be cut!

Sincerely,



Gregory Alter

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 27, 1993

Ms. Vicki Ahl
Route 9, Box 86-V
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Dear Ms. Ahl:

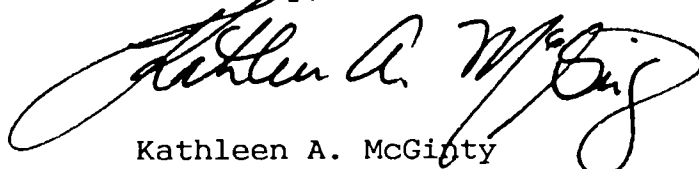
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Rt 9 Box 86-V
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505
July 19, 1993

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

Dear Ms. McGinty

Please do what you can to see that President Clinton doesn't compromise our forests. *We need to protect all of our remaining forests.*

Those presently making their living within the timber industry could be re-educated.

Compromising the environment is not acceptable!
Thank you.

Vicki Ahl

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 27, 1993

Dr. Thomas J. Arneson
4037 Eleventh Avenue S.
Minneapolis, MN 55407

Dear Dr. Arneson:

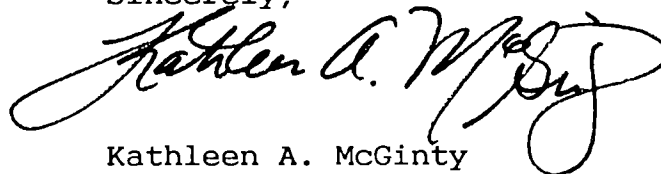
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Thomas J. Arneson, M.D.

4037 Eleventh Ave. S.
Minneapolis, MN 55407
(612) 822-2788

Kathleen McGinty
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Bldg Room 358
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Ms McGinty,

Ancient forests - what little remains - desperately need help to prevent their destruction. These complex life systems are truly irreplaceable. "Managed forests" certainly have a place in our society, but management for timber produces a much different life system than a forest managed by the forces of nature. Please preserve all ancient forest remaining. Now.

I bring to your attention, specifically, the Siskiyou Forest in Southwestern Oregon. Please permanently withdraw all Siskiyou National Forest Roadless Areas from logging and development. More specifically, please drop your consideration of Option 2 and any other compromises that threaten any old growth forest. We have compromised away our forests for years. The time for these compromises is past. It is time now for strong, wise, leadership. Please make it 1

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Ms. Chloe Atreya
2011 Day
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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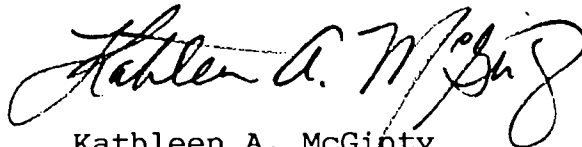
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Dear Ms. McGinty,

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Sincerely, *Chae Atreya*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 27, 1993

Ms. Nancy Amundson
6807 West Preece
Boise, Idaho 83704

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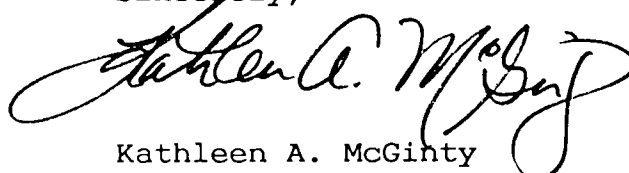
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July 12, 1993

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

Dear Mr. President:

I would like to express my concern about the forest plan "solution" to the Northwest timber crisis that spells unnecessary economic disaster for tens of thousands of men and women and their families living in the Northwest.

The drastic reduction in access to timber will account for a loss of nearly 50,000 jobs of men and women working in the timber industry. Another 150,000 people in related or supporting industries will lose their jobs.

The number of owls is growing, and there are millions of acres of old-growth already permanently off-limits to timber harvest. That won't change. The people of the Northwest and this nation deserve a justifiable solution. There's simply too much at stake in our communities and forests to do otherwise.

The Clinton "solution" endangers my family and my community right now. Why not allow harvests at more historic levels for the next few years while everyone works to develop defensible science, correct the seriously flawed laws that have helped create this crisis, and develop a solution that is truly fair and balanced to people and the environment?

Sincerely,

Nancy Amundson

Nancy Amundson
6807 West Preece
Boise, Idaho 83704

cc: Senator Larry E. Craig
Senator Dirk Kempthorne
Representative Mike Crapo
Representative Larry LaRocco

May 17, 1993

Mr. J. Brian Atwood
Administrator, US A.I.D.
State Department Building
520 21st Street NW
Washington DC 20533

Dear Administrator Atwood:

I first want to congratulate you on your post! I have heard great things from many people, and I look forward to working with you on a variety of issues.

I also wanted to bring to your attention a matter that is outstanding from the previous Administration. As you know, A.I.D. provides grants through the American Schools and Hospitals Abroad (ASHA) program to schools in foreign countries known for their excellence in demonstrating U.S. ideas and practices abroad. Although ASHA has been targeted for funding phaseout in the 1994 budget, it is my understanding that money still exists for the 1993 grant program.

I have heard from applicants to the ASHA program, specifically from an organization interested in promoting environmental education. They are unclear about the status of the grant for this year. They have been told since last fall that the grants would be delayed until a new administrator was confirmed. Understandably, they are now quite eager to hear if their grants will be approved for this year.

Could you inform me of the status of the ASHA grants for this year? If there are going to be no grants this year, or delayed grants, we would certainly want to inform the applicants so that alternative funding sources might be pursued.

Thank you for looking into this matter. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

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

WASHINGTON

May 28, 1993

Mr. Patrick Angel
992 Cold Hill Road
London, KY 40741

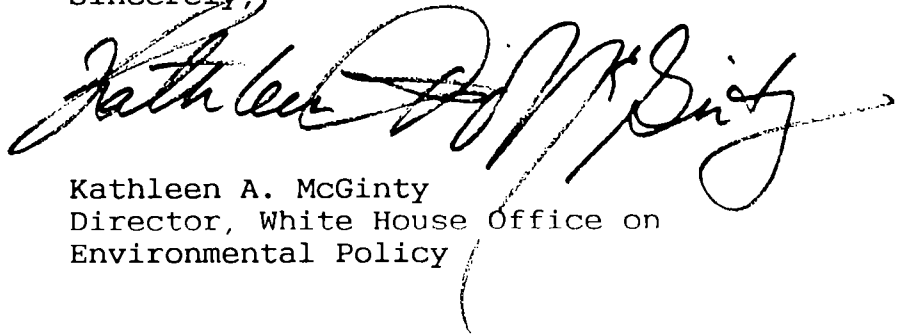
Dear Mr. Angel:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your thoughts about the appointment of Mr. Bruce Boyens to Director, Office of Surface Mining in the Department of the Interior.

As you know, I share President Clinton's and Vice President Gore's commitment to the preservation of our environment. I appreciate learning of your support of Mr. Boyens for this position. I have notified Interior Secretary Babbitt of your concerns.

Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty
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► KATIE MCGINTY
ROOM 360 OLD EXECUTIVE OFFICE BLDG
WASHINGTON DC 20501

— DEAR MS MCGINTY I SUPPORT MR BRUCE BOYENS OF KENTUCKY FOR DIRECTOR OF OSM/USDI. THE CITIZENS AND ENVIRONMENT HAVE LONG SUFFERED AT THE HANDS OF WEAK AND INEFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP IN THIS AGENCY. MR BOYENS IS THE ONE MAN WITH THE EXPERIENCE AND COMMITMENT TO MAKE S. M. C. R. A. OF 1977 WORK THE WAY IT WAS ORIGINALLY INTENDED. PLEASE NOMINATE MR BRUCE BOYENS. SINCERELY

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May 24, 1993

Mr. Edward Avalos
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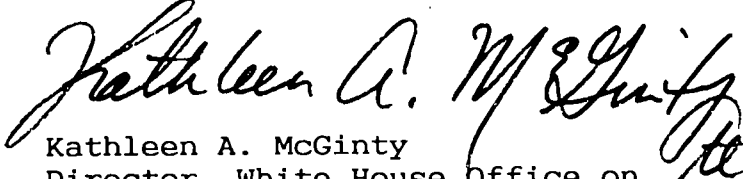
Dear Mr. Avalos:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your thoughts about the Animal Damage Control Act. I apologize for the delay in my response.

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

Again, thank you for letting me hear from you.

Sincerely,


Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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May 15, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty, Director
White House Office on Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building, Room 170
Washington, D.C. 20501

RE: Support for Continuation of Federal Funding of ADC Programs

Dear Ms. McGinty:

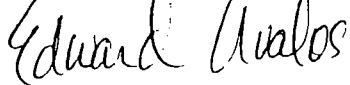
I am a small business owner writing to you out of concern for our local ranching industry. I am a contractor not directly influenced by your policies. But, looking down the road, I can see how a change in the ADC program could affect my business and many others in my community. If the ranchers are run out of business they don't have the money to build houses, repair their homes, or make improvements. My business hurts as do all the people I do business with.

Eliminating the ADC program could have an effect such as this. This matter is of grave concern to me and my community. Please show good business sense when considering the ADC program and keep all the small businesses of America in mind.

Thank you for your consideration and time.

Sincerely,

EDDARD'S CONSTRUCTION



Edward Avalos

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May 24, 1993

Animal People
P.O. Box 205
Shushan, NY 12873

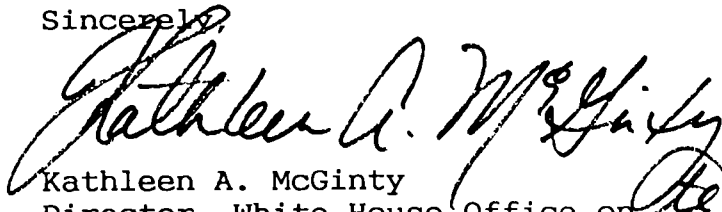
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Sincerely,



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

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ANIMAL PEOPLE

*News for People
Who Care About Animals*

P.O. Box 205
Shushan, New York 12873

518-854-9436 (telephone)
518-854-9601 (fax)

ADC



Kathleen McGinty
White House Office on Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building, Room 358
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I am very eager to see an end to the Animal Damage Control (ADC) Program.

The ADC Program is not cost-effective, nor is it environmentally sound. In 1992, it spent **over forty-five million taxpayer dollars** to kill wildlife on public lands using sharpshooters and various poisons. These indiscriminate methods place other, endangered species at risk.

I'm outraged that my taxes support this war on wildlife. Please do everything in your power to see that funding for the ADC program is not renewed.

Cordially,

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 24, 1993

Mr. Lamar T. Anderson
P.O. Box 144
Winslow, AR 72959

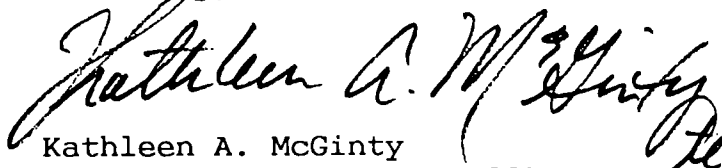
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Sincerely,

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

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LAMAR T. ANDERSON
BOX 144
WINSLOW, ARKANSAS 72959
TELEPHONE (501) 634-3601
FAX (501) 634-7203

3/31/93

DEAR KATHLEEN McGINTY:

**NOW IS THE TIME TO PUT AN END TO THE ANIMAL DAMAGE
CONTROL (ADC) PROGRAM. NOW IS THE TIME TO TAKE
BACK CONTROL OF OUR ENVIORMENT AND PUBLIC
NATURAL RESOURCES.**

**THE ADC IS AN OUTDATED TAX SUPPORTED WAR ON OUR
NATURAL WILDLIFE THAT IS INDISCRIMINATE AND CRUEL.
RANCHERS NEED TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROTECTING
THEIR OWN LIVESTOCK AND DOING SO WITH NON-LETHAL
TECHNIQUES. NOT ONLY ARE MANY RANCHERS
GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIZED THROUGH THE USE OF PUBLIC
GRAZING LANDS, BUT THEY EXPECT TO BE PROVIDED A
ZERO RISK BUSINESS ENVIORMENT.**

KINDEST REGARDS,

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LAMAR T. ANDERSON

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 24, 1993

Mr. Robert D. Adams
109 Onondaga Drive
Oxon Hill, MD 20745

Dear Mr. Adams:

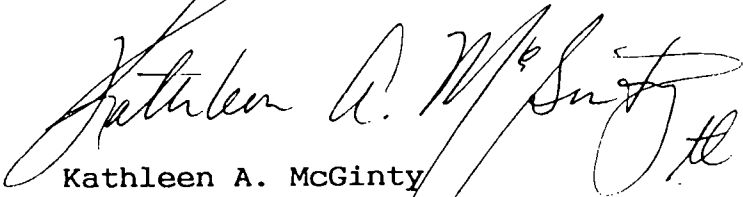
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As you may know, three working groups have been established to work on developing this plan. The first group, working on ecosystem management assessment, is exploring management alternatives that attain the greatest economic and social contribution from the forests of the region and meet the requirements of applicable laws and regulations. Working Group II, focusing on labor and community assistance, will develop an economic plan to address not just temporary efforts but long-term economic development and diversification. The last working group will work to improve the relationships among federal and state agencies in the region and to eliminate impediments that block coordinated action.

I certainly appreciate learning of your continued interest in this arena as we work toward the resolution of this very important matter. Again, thank you for sharing your views with me.

Sincerely,



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

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109 Onondaga Drive
Oxon Hill, MD 20745
May 10, 1993

President Bill Clinton
Attn: Kathleen McGinty,
Director of the Office on
Environmental Policy
Room 358
Old Executive Office Building
17th St. & Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20501

Dear President Clinton and Director of the OEP:

Thank you for your commitment to finding a solution to the forestry problems in the west. I hope that you will in your coming plan allow for protection from timber harvesting in ALL remaining "ancient" forests in America, i.e., those forests that have not been logged before, or which contain trees over 150 years old. This should include Pacific Northwest forests on BOTH sides of the Cascade range, as well as all other applicable forests on public lands. This will protect fishery jobs, promote tourism, and should be accompanied by reductions of raw log exports, to keep jobs in American mills.

I have read that you have had difficult choices to make in the past, concerning forest preservation and logging in Arkansas. The many environmentally concerned Americans who support you hope that you will agree that our some 10% of ancient forests which still remain should all be preserved, as invaluable biological resources.

Thank you very much your hard work on this issue!

Sincerely,

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Robert D. Adams

THE WHITE HOUSE

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May 24, 1993

The Austings
22 Kenwood Drive
Middletown, OH 45042

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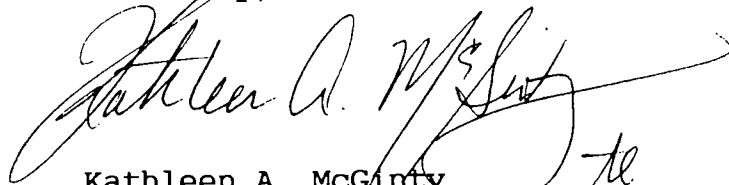
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

To: Room 358

5/19/93

Dear President Clinton &
Director McIntyre:

I urge that the following points be
incorporated into the forest plan:

- save all remaining ancient forests in
the Pacific Northwest,
- protect the ancient forests of the Cascades,
- set strict standards for adherence
to all environmental laws & court orders,
- reduce export of raw logs

Thank you,

Sincerely
Ken Ault



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 24, 1993

Ms. Melanie Allardale
CVSR 2911
Moab, Utah 84532

Dear Ms. Allardale:

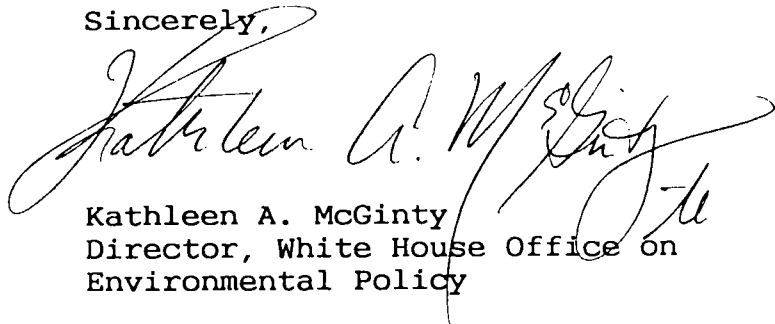
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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In the Pacific Northwest, ancient forests are fast disappearing. They have already been stripped from timber industry lands (like those on the right). Now, in public National Forests, over two square miles are being cut each week. The Ancient Forest Rescue Expedition is calling for a stop to the destruction of these last magnificent forests.
P.O. Box 2962, Bellingham, WA 98227, (206) 671-9950.



Photo © Daniel D. Dancer.

Dear Ms McGinty

I was shocked and disappointed to read that the role of log exports from the Pacific Northwest has not been included in the mission of the Forest Conference's Labour and ^{Community} Assistance working group.

How can community economics ignore one out of every four logs harvested in the Northwest being shipped overseas? and what about the loss of approximately 16,000 wood related jobs?

Every day while timber industry proponents posture about the timber shortage log laden ships leave harbours beside empty mills.

Please reconsider this glaring omission and activate the necessary amendments to keep the Forest Conference in line with reality. Thank you for your Attention.

Sincerely, Melanie Allardale CVSR 2911 MOAB, UT 84532

Ms. Katie McGinty
Director Office of Env. Policy
Old Exec. Office Bldg, Room 360
Washington, DC 20501

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May 17, 1993

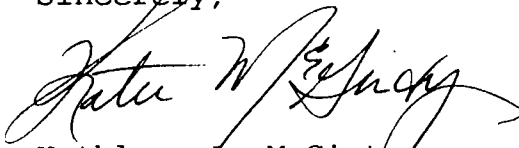
Ms. Kathy Aterno
Chief of Staff
Environmental Protection Agency
401 M Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Ms. Aterno:

Enclosed please find the curriculum vitae of Mr. Russell H. Roegner. Unfortunately, all staff positions have been filled in the White House Office on Environmental Policy. I would appreciate your giving Mr. Roegner every consideration as you continue to make staffing decisions.

I appreciate your assistance in this matter,

Sincerely,

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

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cc: Mr. Russell H. Roegner

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 2, 1993

*Katie -
Can we send
this guy's resume
to Carol Ann at
EPA?? Charlotte*

Mr. Russell H. Roegner
675 Mountain Drive
Atlanta, GA 30342

Dear Mr. Roegner:

Thank you for your application for a position in the White House Office on Environmental Policy. I appreciate your interest in our office.

Unfortunately, all staff positions have been filled. However, your resume is impressive, and I will keep it on file should openings become available in the future.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,



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

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 16, 1993

The Honorable Michael A. Andrews
Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

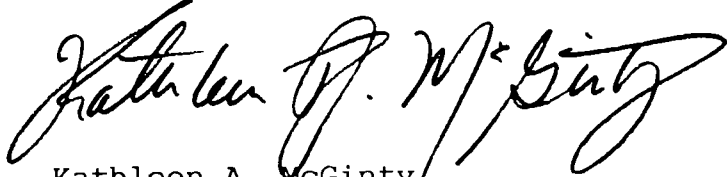
Dear Congressman Andrews:

Thank you for your letter and the information you enclosed regarding your proposed legislation, the Capitan Reef Management Consolidation Act, H.R. 1724. It was good to hear from you.

As you know, President Clinton and I are committed to the preservation of our global environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. I understand your concerns about the administration of the Capitan Reef complex by three separate agencies within two different departments. I hope you will keep me informed of the progress of your legislation.

Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me.

Sincerely,

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

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MICHAEL A. ANDREWS
25TH DISTRICT, TEXAS

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House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-4325

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June 7, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty
Chief of Staff
Office of Environmental Policy
White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I write to request your consideration and comment on a legislative proposal that is of great interest to me. I have introduced H.R. 1724, the Capitan Reef Management Consolidation Act. This bill relates to the Capitan Reef Complex in Eddy County, New Mexico.

As you know, this prehistoric reef complex runs northward from the Guadalupe Mountains National Park in Texas into New Mexico and the Carlsbad Caverns National Park. I had occasion to hike through the reef complex and to learn about its geological and ecological stature as a world-class resource. The Capitan Reef is well documented as the most extensive exposure of Permian-Age carbonate fossil reef in North America. Each year, geologists and speleologists from around the world visit this premier natural laboratory.

Most of the reef exposure lies within the boundaries of either the Guadalupe Mountains or Carlsbad Caverns Park. However, the middle portion of the escarpment is part the Lincoln National Forest's Guadalupe Escarpment Wilderness Study Area (WSA) and the Bureau of Land Management's Lonesome Ridge WSA -- leaving the reef, in and of itself a complete geologic structure, to be administered by three federal agencies existing within two departments and with three different management plans.

I propose to expand the Carlsbad Caverns National Park to include the Guadalupe Escarpment WSA and the Lonesome Ridge WSA. This federal land transfer will provide a uniform management structure for the entire Capitan Reef and in so doing avoid government duplication and wholly protect this tremendous resource. Enclosed is a copy of my legislation, related talking points and a corresponding map.

I have discussed this legislation with Secretary Babbitt and he is very interested. Additionally, H.R. 1724 enjoys the support of several environmental organizations, including the National Parks and Conservation Association, Sierra Club, Audubon Society and the Wilderness Society. Geologists, spelunkers and oil and gas companies also support this legislation.

Ms. Kathleen McGinty
June 7, 1993
Page two

This is a modest step to preserve a truly extraordinary and irreplaceable resource. I am confident it is a proposal you will want to support.

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michael A. Andrews". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "M" and "A".

Michael A. Andrews
Member of Congress

Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 29, 1993

Mr. Jüri Arusoo
Business Manager
Visionlink
P.O. Box 4247
South Burlington, VT 05406

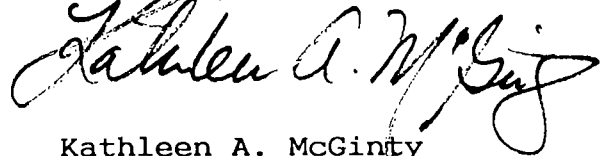
Dear Mr. Arusoo:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your work at Visionlink and for the two environmental directories you sent to my office. I apologize for the delay in my response.

As you know, I share President Clinton's commitment to the preservation of our environment. I appreciate learning of your efforts to establish a toll free number to provide information on current projects related to environmental sustainability.

Again, thank you for sharing this information with me.

Sincerely,



Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, Office on
Environmental Policy

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The Jefferson

WASHINGTON, D.C.

May 24/93

Dear Ms. McGinty,

Enclosed
attached

Enclosed are two Environmental Directories which we published through VisionLink Education Foundation, a non-profit foundation.

Please feel free to contact me at the Jefferson Hotel if you or your Department has any questions in regards to these publications or purchase of any more. I will be here till Wednesday May 26 1993, at 347-2200.

Thanking you for your time.

Jiri Chusoo

A Lancaster Group Hotel

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(202) 347-2200 FAX (202) 223-9039

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 9, 1993

The Honorable Daniel Acuna
Mayor
City of San Fernando
117 Macnell Street
San Fernando, CA 91340

Dear Mayor Acuna:

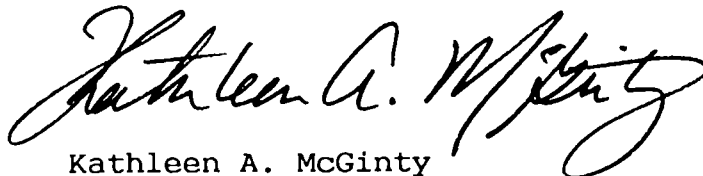
Thank you for contacting me regarding your concerns about liability of toxic waste cleanup under Superfund.

As you know, I share President Clinton's and Vice President Gore's commitment to the preservation of our environment. In his first State of the Union address, the President reaffirmed his goal to increase the efficiency of toxic waste cleanup, as well as to decrease the need for numerous liability lawsuits facing Superfund sites.

I understand your concerns about the burdensome nature of these potentially long and costly lawsuits. EPA Administrator Carol Browner is currently reviewing the 1992 EPA guidance document that was rejected by the Bush Administration. Be assured that we will give every consideration to your concerns as we work toward improving the Superfund program.

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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CITY OF**SAN FERNANDO**

117 Macneil Street
San Fernando, CA 91340-2993
(818) 898-1200

May 27, 1993

Dear Katie McGinty:

In his first State of the Union address, President Clinton recognized the importance of the nation's toxic waste cleanup effort and pledged to get the lawyers out of the Superfund process. We are writing to urge Administration to take one crucial step that could help accomplish that worthy goal. Please release an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) guidance that will relieve hundreds of local governments, thousands of small businesses, and countless citizens of the crushing burden of private party lawsuits designed to shift billions of dollars of cleanup costs from polluting industries to the general taxpayer.

Across the country, entities that polluted Superfund sites are seeking to spread their cleanup costs to cities and counties, small business such as pizza stands and flower shops, little league teams, the Girl Scouts, and even individual citizens. The theory of these cases is that sending ordinary household garbage and sewage sludge to a Superfund site is enough to trigger staggering liability under the law, even though industrial hazardous waste and not benign household wastes is the reason expensive cleanups are necessary. At a time when scores of local governments and small businesses are struggling to avert fiscal collapse, provide vital services, and remain competitive, this catastrophic liability poses an unforeseen and unjustified threat to their survival.

Several months before the 1992 election, EPA career staff prepared an excellent guidance document which was designed to spur reasonable settlements of such cases. This guidance was killed by the Bush White House after a lobbying blitz by polluting industries. The Clinton Administration now has an opportunity to correct this misguided decision. Please act today to help America's counties, cities, towns, small businesses, and citizens.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Daniel Acuña", followed by a horizontal line.

Daniel Acuña, Mayor of City of San Fernando

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 9, 1993

The Honorable Ruth R. Aldaco
Mayor
City of Commerce
2535 Commerce Way
Commerce, CA 90040

Dear Mayor Aldaco:

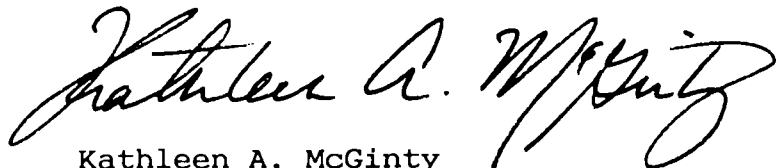
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VIA FAX

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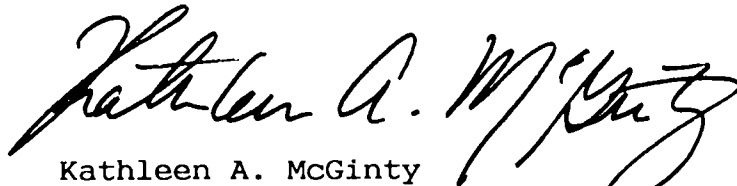
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Re: Superfund Interim Municipal Settlement Strategy

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I strongly urge the Clinton Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency to release and implement the "Interim Municipal Settlement Strategy," which was released in draft form by EPA staff in March 1992. That document sets out a sensible, practical, understandable enforcement policy for the Regional Administrators to follow in cases involving municipal solid waste at Superfund sites. The Interim Municipal Settlement Strategy represents the culmination of thousands of hours of time and effort expended by EPA career staff seeking to resolve or ameliorate the problem of municipal exposure to third-party lawsuits by industrial PRP's.

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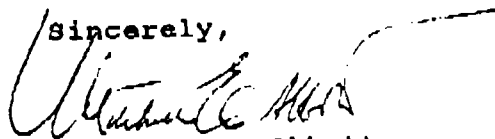
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Sincerely,



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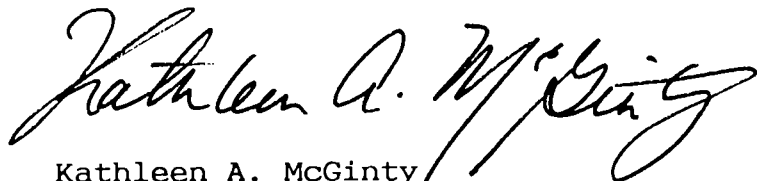
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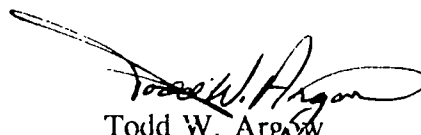
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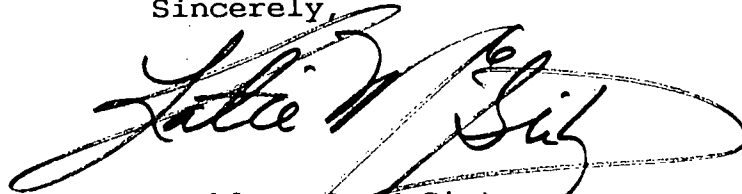
Dear Ms. Abzug:

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As you know, I share the President's commitment to the preservation of the global environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth and protection from environmental degradation for all its citizens. I appreciate learning of your work at the Second Preparatory Committee of the International Conference on Population and Development this past May. I share your enthusiasm for recognizing the importance of the role of women in protecting our natural resources and promoting sound development. Be assured that this Administration will continue its efforts in working toward the goal of environmental sustainability. I look forward to working with you on these issues in the future.

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MEMORANDUM

To: Katie McGinty, Deputy Assistant to the President, Director of Office on Environmental Policy

From: Bella Abzug, Co-chair, Women's Environment and Development Organization

Re: Vice President's speech to opening session of the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development

Date: 9 June, 1993

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I am pleased that the Vice President will be speaking at the opening session of the Commission on Sustainable Development on 14 June in New York, thus sending important signals to the international governmental and non-governmental communities as to the commitment of this administration to international sustainable development issues and the role of the United Nations.

His statement is being eagerly awaited, especially with regard to the anticipated announcement of the President's Council on Sustainable Development.

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9 June 1993
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I was also gratified at the way in which Tim Wirth accepted the input and advice of the private sector members of the delegation and the way in which he so clearly supported the roles and status of women as the essential component of the Cairo process and any agreements that will be reached there.

The change of approach of this administration on the critical issues of consumption and its links to population and environment and on issues of women's rights, especially reproductive rights, were significant factors in the success of the PrepCom.

Finally, I believe it would be advantageous if the Vice President could use his address to the CSD to underline the significance of NGOs and the centrality of women in the interlinked issues of population, environment and development.

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The Honorable Thomas H. Andrews
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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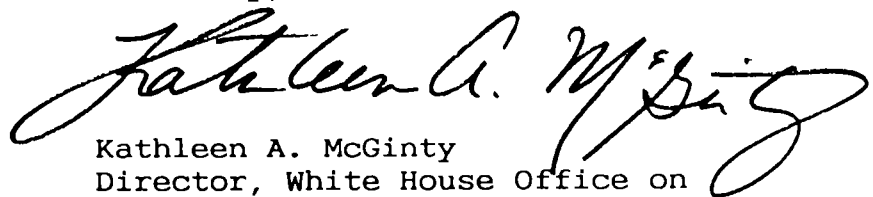
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President Bill Clinton
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Dear Mr. President:

We understand that you have been contacted by a group of 20 members of Congress regarding their concerns about the nation's policy on wetlands. While we agree that wetlands policy needs to be reviewed and reformed, we must respectfully refute some of the criticisms they raised, and disagree over the need for a national "wetlands summit."

Wetlands are one of our most valuable natural resources, and strong measures are needed to protect them. We agree with our colleagues that more incentives and public funding are needed to encourage the preservation of privately held wetlands. However, many good programs already exist that have proven to be very successful in encouraging the preservation of wetlands, such as the Wetlands Reserve Program. What these programs lack is adequate funding.

Much of the controversy surrounding wetlands stems from the fact that we lack a clear wetlands policy. As you know, the wetlands delineation manual has been subject to revisions over the past several years. Because it was considered a technical document, some revisions were adopted without formal public review. The situation has stabilized as all agencies now use the 1987 manual. In addition, a study by the National Academy of Sciences is underway to determine the best methods for delineating wetlands. Congress directed the Academy to take regional differences into consideration during this process. That study is expected to be completed by late 1994.

The whole debate over the proper definition of wetlands illustrates the difficulties caused by our uncertain wetlands policy. Field staff have lacked adequate and consistent training and agencies do not have the proper resources to carry out their responsibilities. In addition, the permit process needs to be streamlined and made more flexible so that the differences between large and small permits can be taken into account.

We are particularly concerned by claims that wetlands are not compatible with good economic policy and that they adversely

impact private property owners. On the contrary, wetlands policy must recognize that the preservation of these natural resources has benefits for all property owners, and that they protect human health and safety.

Safeguards need to be put in place to help small private landowners negotiate the wetlands regulatory process. Permit applications that drag on for several months into years can certainly create burdens for the small property owner.

H.R. 350, the Wetlands Reform Act, was introduced to respond to these and other shortcomings of the current system. This bill, which has the support of all the major environmental groups, is compatible with your view that protecting the environment is consistent with maintaining a strong economy.

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We feel very strongly that legislative action on the Clean Water Act and wetlands must proceed without further delay. Calling a "wetlands summit" might help bring this issue into the spotlight, but we feel that more than enough opportunities for the airing of diverse views on wetlands have taken place. For example, the National Wetlands Policy Forum convened in 1987 brought together state government officials, environmentalists, the agricultural community, developers and other industry groups for a comprehensive review of how best to manage wetlands. The forum resulted in the recommendation that a "no net loss of wetlands" policy be adopted. In addition, numerous congressional hearings were held in the last legislative session, and many public forums were held throughout the country.

We fear that the agenda of those supporting a wetlands summit is to cause further delays in finally bringing this issue to conclusion. More worrisome is the fact that the cosigners of the letter to you are interested in seriously weakening current protections for wetlands and opening protected areas to destruction.

We hope that you will move forward in support of efforts to reauthorize the Clean Water Act with provisions to strengthen wetlands protections. We would certainly welcome your endorsement of H.R. 350, the Wetlands Reform Act, and look forward to working with you to enact an environmentally and economically sound national policy on wetlands.

Sincerely,

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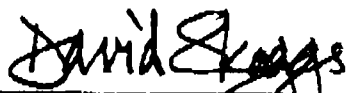
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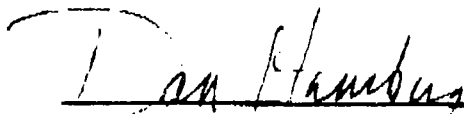
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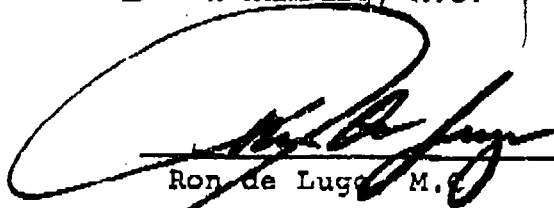
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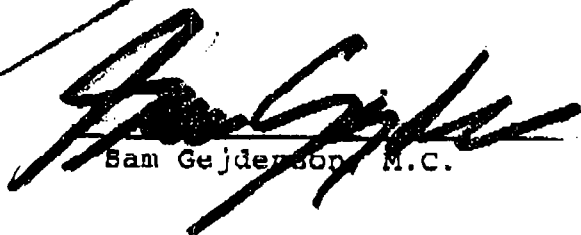
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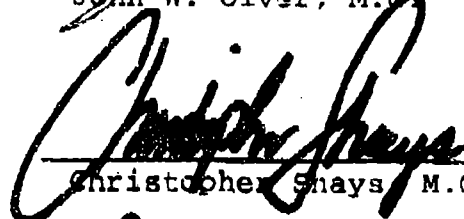
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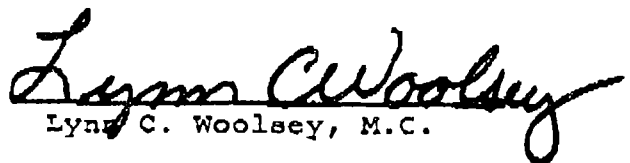
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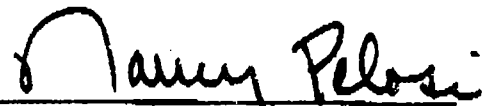
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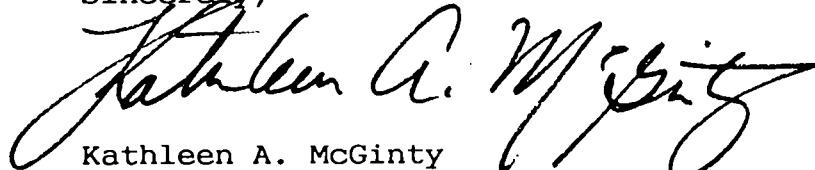
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President Bill Clinton
The White House
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Dear Mr. President:

We understand that you have been contacted by a group of 20 members of Congress regarding their concerns about the nation's policy on wetlands. While we agree that wetlands policy needs to be reviewed and reformed, we must respectfully refute some of the criticisms they raised, and disagree over the need for a national "wetlands summit."

Wetlands are one of our most valuable natural resources, and strong measures are needed to protect them. We agree with our colleagues that more incentives and public funding are needed to encourage the preservation of privately held wetlands. However, many good programs already exist that have proven to be very successful in encouraging the preservation of wetlands, such as the Wetlands Reserve Program. What these programs lack is adequate funding.

Much of the controversy surrounding wetlands stems from the fact that we lack a clear wetlands policy. As you know, the wetlands delineation manual has been subject to revisions over the past several years. Because it was considered a technical document, some revisions were adopted without formal public review. The situation has stabilized as all agencies now use the 1987 manual. In addition, a study by the National Academy of Sciences is underway to determine the best methods for delineating wetlands. Congress directed the Academy to take regional differences into consideration during this process. That study is expected to be completed by late 1994.

The whole debate over the proper definition of wetlands illustrates the difficulties caused by our uncertain wetlands policy. Field staff have lacked adequate and consistent training and agencies do not have the proper resources to carry out their responsibilities. In addition, the permit process needs to be streamlined and made more flexible so that the differences between large and small permits can be taken into account.

We are particularly concerned by claims that wetlands are not compatible with good economic policy and that they adversely

impact private property owners. On the contrary, wetlands policy must recognize that the preservation of these natural resources has benefits for all property owners, and that they protect human health and safety.

Safeguards need to be put in place to help small private landowners negotiate the wetlands regulatory process. Permit applications that drag on for several months into years can certainly create burdens for the small property owner.

H.R. 350, the Wetlands Reform Act, was introduced to respond to these and other shortcomings of the current system. This bill, which has the support of all the major environmental groups, is compatible with your view that protecting the environment is consistent with maintaining a strong economy.

- To encourage the protection of privately held wetlands, the measure would create new tax incentives to encourage owners of wetland property to protect their land in its natural state.
- More staff and resources would be directed to the agencies responsible for permits and wetlands delineations, and training, education and outreach programs would be improved.
- Small permit applications would be expedited through the creation of a "fast track" for minor permits, to enable such applications to be processed within 60 days.
- Funds would be earmarked for the Corps of Engineers to assist small landowners with wetlands delineations.
- The scope of the permit program would be expanded to include all activities that are harmful to wetlands.
- Follow-up procedures would be put in place to determine the effect of the general and individual permit programs on wetlands, as well as the success of any mitigation activities.

We feel very strongly that legislative action on the Clean Water Act and wetlands must proceed without further delay. Calling a "wetlands summit" might help bring this issue into the spotlight, but we feel that more than enough opportunities for the airing of diverse views on wetlands have taken place. For example, the National Wetlands Policy Forum convened in 1987 brought together state government officials, environmentalists, the agricultural community, developers and other industry groups for a comprehensive review of how best to manage wetlands. The forum resulted in the recommendation that a "no net loss of wetlands" policy be adopted. In addition, numerous congressional hearings were held in the last legislative session, and many public forums were held throughout the country.

We fear that the agenda of those supporting a wetlands summit is to cause further delays in finally bringing this issue to conclusion. More worrisome is the fact that the cosigners of the letter to you are interested in seriously weakening current protections for wetlands and opening protected areas to destruction.

We hope that you will move forward in support of efforts to reauthorize the Clean Water Act with provisions to strengthen wetlands protections. We would certainly welcome your endorsement of H.R. 350, the Wetlands Reform Act, and look forward to working with you to enact an environmentally and economically sound national policy on wetlands.

Sincerely,

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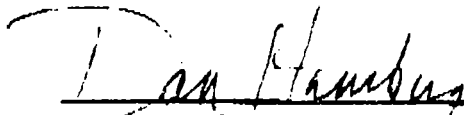
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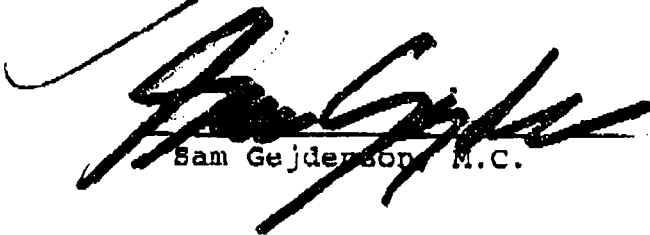
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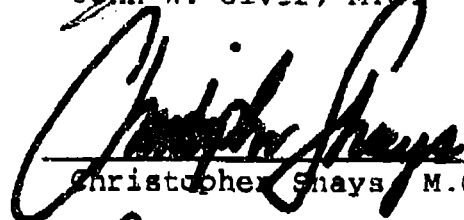
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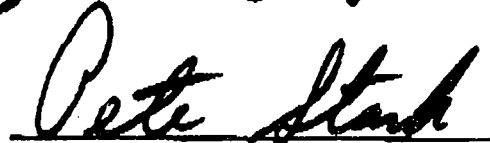
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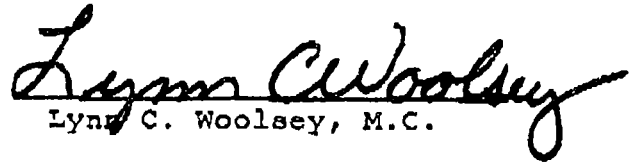
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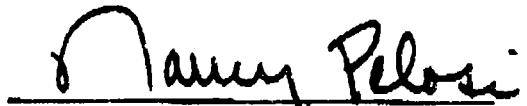
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June 17, 1993

Mr. John Adams
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Dear Mr. Adams:

On behalf of the President and Vice President, I would like to thank you for your participation in the President's Council on Sustainable Development. It was good to see you the other day at the announcement in the Rose Garden.

As you know, this Administration is committed to the preservation of our global environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. I appreciate the time you took out of your busy schedule to attend the announcement.

President Clinton strongly believes that this new council will provide an excellent means for addressing the challenges we currently face in this arena. By bringing representatives of the business and environmental communities together with key members of the Cabinet, we hope to realize the goals of Agenda 21 and the Rio Earth Summit.

We share your enthusiasm for this new initiative, and I look forward to working with the new council as we move forward on this very important matter.

Again, thank you for your participation, and welcome aboard!

Sincerely,

Kathleen A. McGinty
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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June 10, 1993

Mr. Jeffrey Agrell
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Dear Friends:

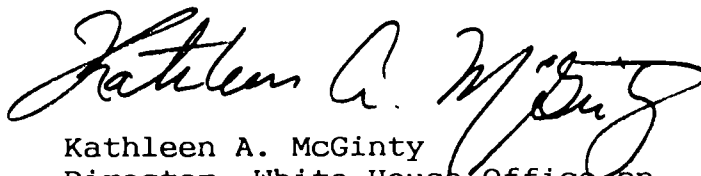
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As you may know, three working groups have been established to work on developing this plan. The first group, working on ecosystem management assessment, is exploring management alternatives that attain the greatest economic and social contribution from the forests of the region and meet the requirements of applicable laws and regulations. Working Group II, focusing on labor and community assistance, will develop an economic plan to address not just temporary efforts but long-term economic development and diversification. The last working group will work to improve the relationships among federal and state agencies in the region and to eliminate impediments that block coordinated action.

I certainly appreciate learning of your continued interest in this arena as we work toward the resolution of this very important matter. Again, thank you for sharing your views with me.

Sincerely,

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June 5, 1993

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
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Dear President Clinton,

I am an American (living abroad) writing to implore you to do everything you can to save America's last remaining Ancient Forests in the Pacific Northwest. While researching a novel on a related topic this past year I became acquainted with the ancient forest issue and was frankly appalled by what I discovered at every turn about rapacity and greed of the timber industry, the mismanagement of national forests by the Forest Service (and the Congress), and subsequent degradation of the environment and whole ecosystems. Until now, there has been one value: timber. It is time to take a stand to protect what is left of this irreplaceable natural resource and heritage before America joins the other countries of the world that have become permanently deforested (China, India, Greece, North Africa, et al.). Everyone is concerned that Brazil has cut 15% of it's rain forest. We have cut 95% of ours. It's time to protect what's left. Yes, we need to help logging communities in a painful time of economic readjustment (and banning export of private timber would help, too). But readjustment to a more environmentally healthy and economically sustainable system is both possible and necessary, whereas a continuation of the failed and destructive policies of the past would doom the livelihoods of the timber-dependent communities in a few years anyway.

All forest management plans should be based on the advice of scientists, not politicians or the timber industry. Any consideration of the legacy we are leaving future generations dictates that we set aside permanently protected ancient forest reserves.

Thanks for listening. [Off the subject for a second: you (and Hillary) are the great hope for so many around the world (I personally have not been so excited about a president since John F. Kennedy, whose hand I got to shake when I was twelve in 1960. I'm glad you're there.)]

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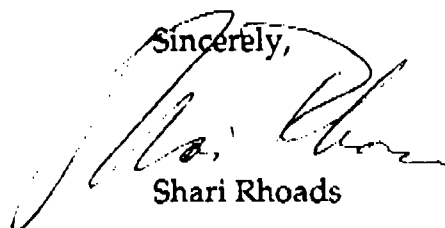
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Dear President Clinton,

In the wake of the Forest Conference I know you are faced with coming up with a new forest plan very soon. As an American concerned with the long-term health of the environment I want to add my voice to others in asking you to do as much as you can to develop a new forest plan which is based on science and the letter of environmental laws, one that protects America's last remaining ancient forests in the Pacific Northwest. This seems to me to be a golden opportunity to establish permanent ancient forest reserves, a priceless gift to all future generations and an example of vision rather than the usual taking of the short term profit at the expense of our future. The lasting symbol of your presidency should be a tree, not a stump.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Shari Rhoads', written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

Shari Rhoads

P.S.: I just wanted to tell you that you are loved and supported by a great many of us. Don't pay any attention to polls or frustrating little setbacks. We believe in you, and just want you to set the tiller for the distant goals and not try to readjust for every little wave. (We do however applaud your efforts to add a few more old salts to your crew). We're with you for the whole ride. Thanks for your vision and your courage.

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June 10, 1993

Mr. Jonathan Aroesty
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Dear Mr. Aroesty:

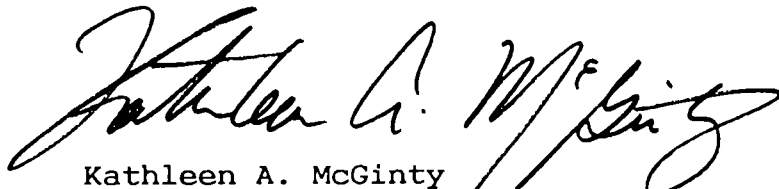
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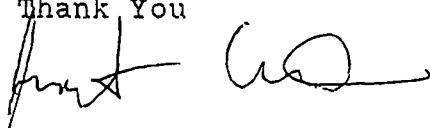
June 2, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
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Dear Ms. McGinty,

I am writing in regards to the issue of protecting the ancient forest of the Pacific Northwest. I urge you to pressure President Clinton to stick to his promise to develop a scientifically sound, ecologically credible and legally responsible plan for the protection of the ancient forest of the Pacific Northwest. I expect President Clinton to support a plan for these forests which will "hold them in trust for future generations," and not for the timber-industry/labor axis.

Thank You


Jonathan Aroesty