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July 7, 1993

Mr. Steve Holmer
517 College Parkway
Rockville, MD 20850

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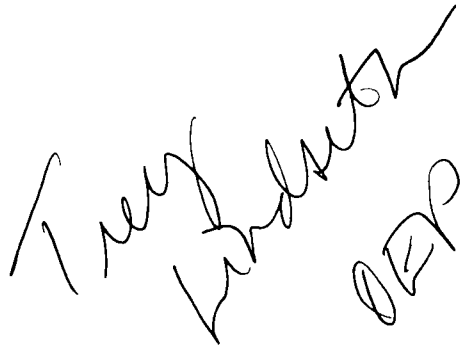
Sincerely,

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

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June 17, 1993

President Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500



Dear President Clinton,

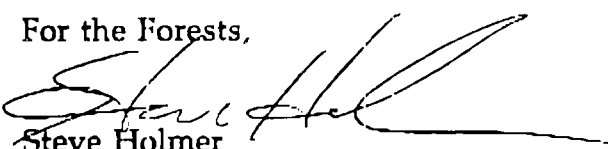
My name is Steve Holmer and I worked on the your campaign and for Environmentalists for Clinton/Gore. I am extremely concerned that you are about to adopt a plan to resolve the ancient forest issue (Option #9), that will not protect the forest ecosystem, nor establish a sustainable economy for the people of the Northwest. After making this such a high profile endeavor, failure could prove a political disaster.

I urge you to fulfill your promise not to try to revoke the laws of change and go back to policy that circumvents the law with sufficiency language. As a memo just released states, the Forest Service has been overcutting by at least 30% for the past decade. The BLM and Forest Service cannot be trusted to implement the kind of risky management that experimenting in ancient forest implies. Chief Robertson should be fired and both agencies investigated for knowingly violating environmental laws. Such a strategy would show support for your environmental allies, and start the long process of reforming these renegade outlaw agencies. It would also provide further justification for taking more protective measures for the ecosystem.

Jobs in the future will be threatened by logging in ancient forests and not protecting the Eastside forests. Salmon and steelhead trout are both seriously threatened by loss of habitat; strong protection of riparian zones and an end to logging roadless areas is needed to protect this resource. Tourism and recreation depend on scenic vistas and large roadless wilderness areas. Seeing clearcut after clearcut doesn't attract many people. The region's quality of life is the strongest feature to attract new business and residents. Continued overcutting will only degrade this intangible quality not to mention the real clean, clear water supplies many NW cities now take for granted.

I worked for you out of fear of what another four years of Bush would do to this country, and hope that we can do better. To do that now we need to look for new solutions that do not depend on the failed fixes of the past like sufficiency. You said you would like to give our environmental laws a chance to work. I strongly urge you to do just that, and support them by not supporting any sufficiency language in your coming proposal.

For the Forests,



Steve Holmer

517 College Parkway
Rockville, MD 20850

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Mr. Louis Fors Hill
5323 Lakeland Avenue North
Suite 200
Minneapolis, MN 55429

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****** FAX TRANSMITTAL SHEET ******

White House office of Environ.
Policy
FROM: June 28, 1993 TO: Attn: Ms. Katie McGinty

FAX NUMBER: 202-456-2710

Ms McGinty: I want to take this opportunity to express my opposition to Option 9, the proposal developed by the Administration's Forest Ecosystem Task Group. Contrary to President Clinton's statement that he will do all he can to help people in this area, this "Option" will (1) put millions of acres off limits to timber which will also keep out mining and public access. (2) The proposal will reduce harvest levels dramatically which will in turn cost approx. 85,000 jobs across the US, and (3) raise lumber prices thereby risking even more damage to the housing industry.

: Louis F. Hill

SHEET 1 OF 1

July 7, 1993

Ms. Shannon Healy
2445 139th Avenue, S.E.
Bellevue, WA 98005

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SHANNON HEALEY
2445 199TH AVE SE * BELLEVUE * WA * 98005-4057
206-747-7150

June 28, 1993

TO: Katie McGinty
FAX 202-456-2710

FR: Shannon Healey

RE: Protecting the Northwest Ancient Forests

is a U.S. citizen and a resident of the state of Washington, would like to ask you to urge President Clinton to do everything in his power to help save the last of the Ancient Forests.

Please ask him to discard Option Number Nine, as I have read that it will maximize logging, minimize ecosystem management, and direct federal agencies to ignore existing environmental laws. Instead, advise him to enact a plan that will create permanent forest reserves in which no logging or road building will be allowed. Also, please advise him to adhere to existing environmental laws; in other words, I'd like him to stick by his promises made at the Forest Conference in April when he said he would develop a plan that is "scientifically sound, ecologically credible and legally responsible."

Thank you for your attention in this urgent matter.

July 7, 1993

Ms. Michelle Hensley
808 Vernon Avenue
Venice, CA 90291

Dear Ms. Hensley:

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

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MICHELLE HENSLEY

808 VERNON AVENUE
VENICE, CA 90291
(213) 396-9416

June 24, 1993

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

Dear Ms. McGinty,

I am writing to urge President Clinton to keep to his promise to create a plan for the Pacific Northwest's public forests that is scientifically, ecologically and legally responsible.

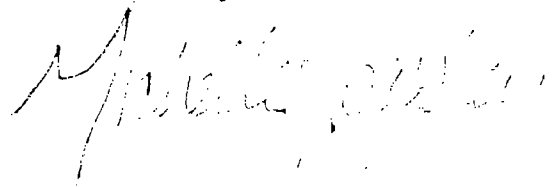
We must protect ALL the remaining ancient forests.

I realize that job loss is a serious concern to the residents of the areas. These fears can be alleviated if the export of raw logs is stopped, and only finished wood products are exported. Also, the U.S. should help to create investment opportunities in these rural fishing and timber communities.

Less than two years ago I gave birth to my first child. I feel more keenly and urgently than ever, as I know you do, that we must take every step we can NOW to save the beauties and mysteries of this planet for our children and their children. Such things are far more important than any short-term profit that development may bring.

Thank you for your attention, concern and action on this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

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July 7, 1993

Mr. Gary Hopper
1524 Harding Avenue
Blacksburg, VA 24060

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Ms Katie McBerty
Dept Dir. to Pres.

One of the reasons I was so supportive of President Clinton during the election was what I felt was a strong desire to reverse the disastrous policies of the Reagan-Bush years regarding the protection of the environment. Specifically related is the preservation of ancient forest in the Pacific Northwest. All of these remaining areas should be protected. The export of raw logs must be stopped and the affected industries locally must receive economic assistance. I have written before about this and I am disappointed in the difference existing between promise and effect. I look for improvement.

Respectfully,

Chris Hogg

July 7, 1993

Mr. Bill Highton
2131 1/2 Stewart Street
Santa Monica, CA 90404

Dear Mr. Highton:

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W. Highton
2131 1/2 Stewart St
Santa Monica, CA 90404

Dear Ms. McGinty,

I am writing to you regarding Option 9 proposal for the Ancient Forests of the Pacific Northwest.

It is my understanding Option 9 is similar to failed experiments in the Amazon which have resulted in continued species extinction and soil erosion.

I favor methods which maximize the "output" from each felled tree, with little wood wasted. These methods are used in Vice President Gore's home state of Tennessee. Ask him about them.

Again, I oppose Option 9

Sincerely,

Bill Highton

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Mr. Hal Hushbeck
Conservation Coordinator
Oregon Chapter, Sierra Club
39450 Mohawk Loop
Marcola, OR 97454

Dear Mr. Hushbeck:

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Ms. Katie McGinty 16 June 1993
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy



Ms. McGinty:

I am very disheartened by the administration's direction to the Forest Conference Team to come up with an "Option 9". President Clinton's promise to the Forests of the Northwest at the end of the Forest Conference clearly called for ancient forest reserves - no cutting, legally responsible and scientifically based management of the rest of the federal forest - requiring no sufficiency language, and transitional help for diversifying timber dependent communities - displacing the need to continue to cut ancient forest.

A few points that I hope will be of value:

Our northwest congresspersons and senators have called for overcutting our forests for decades. They are complicit in creating the unsustainable capacity for federal timber. They have failed to lead the Northwest in a timely transition away from unsustainable federal timber dependency. Though their political clout may be what turns this trick for them; their wisdom and professed humanitarian intentions should be highly suspect.

Workers, local governments and northwest society must live within environmental limits. In my remodeling contract work I am already paying higher lumber costs. But I'm ready to pay lumber's true market value, one that reflects a respect for the non-human forest dependent community.

The ancient forest ecosystem, and forest dependent fish and wildlife species should have a "very high" probability of viability. The Northwest's salmonid population and water quality are particularly at stake. Riparian areas must be rehabilitated and maintained in optimum condition to avoid the continued decline in catchable fish (=jobs).

Sufficiency language is particularly repugnant among the law abiding citizens of the Pacific Northwest. Exempting forest management from environmental laws is a breach of faith with the nation's people. Sufficiency language has only created windfalls for larger timber companies and the illusion that our communities do not need to prepare for change.

Our Eastside forest habitats are just as important as westside forests. They should not be sacrificed to appease Congressman Foley.

Please choose a less onerous option than Option 9. "New forestry" should be tried out in new forests only. Don't let federal land managers convert the remaining ancient forest to managed stands.

Sincerely,

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Conservation Coordinator
Oregon Chapter, Sierra Club
39450 Mohawk Loop
Marcola, Oregon 97454
Home/Message (503) 933-2415, FAX (503) 683-4492

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Ms. Cathy Hocker
345 Logan Cut Drive
Cave Junction, OR 97523

Dear Ms. Hocker:

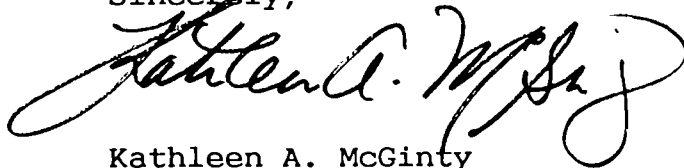
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TO: Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
FAX (202) 456-2710

FROM: Cathy Hocker
345 Logan Cut Drive
Cave Junction OR 97523

DATE: June 19, 1993

SUBJECT: Option Number Nine

I am very distressed that the Forest Conference team has proposed Option Number Nine. President Clinton will be breaking his promise to the American people if this option is adopted.

I want you to discard Option Number Nine.

I want a plan that will create permanent ancient forest reserves and contains no sufficiency language.

The requirements of NEPA should not be bypassed. That act should be left in place to help protect the small amount of forest remaining.

Salvage logging and thinning will seriously compromise wildlife habitat and old-growth resources the reserves are meant to protect.

The Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management have done a very bad job managing America's forests. I don't feel comfortable allowing them to practice experimental forestry techniques on our few remaining reserves of ancient trees. Let them practice on already logged areas and STAY OUT OF THE RESERVES. Neither the FS or the BLM have demonstrated their ability to grow old-growth trees.

There is alot of political pressure to allow logging. Surely, the timber industry and it's employees are not going to like reducing "the cut". I feel that communities must receive assistance to facilitate the transition to more balanced, sustainable economies.

My children deserve better than Option Number Nine. I don't think you're doing the best thing for our planet if you continue to try to solve the forest crisis from such a short-term point of view. Please try harder to see the big picture. Once these precious reserves are gone, they are gone FOREVER.

I am not alone in my belief that Option Number Nine would be a serious mistake. Please reconsider.

Thank you.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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Mr. Donald S. Heintzelman
President
Wildlife Information Center, Inc.
629 Green Street
Allentown, PA 18102

Dear Mr. Heintzelbaum:

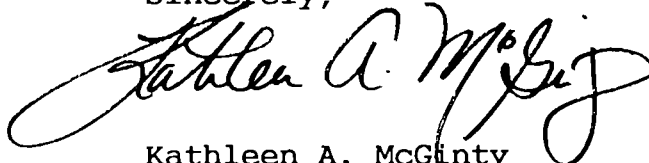
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WILDLIFE INFORMATION CENTER, INC.
629 Green Street, Allentown, PA. 18102-1601 USA (215) 434-1637

21 June 1993

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Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
The White House
Washington, DC

Faxed

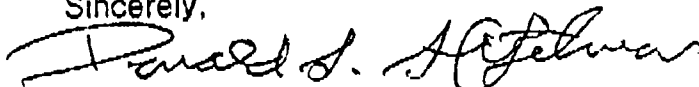
Dear Ms. McGinty:

I am writing on behalf of the Wildlife Information Center, Inc., and our members nationwide, asking that President Clinton adopt a policy regarding old growth forests of the Pacific Northwest that provides for the following:

1. Strict preservation of remaining old growth forests, and a total ban on further cutting of these priceless national treasures.
2. Has sound biological and ecological science as its foundation.
3. Development of greatly expanded, and ecologically and environmentally sound, ecotourism into the Pacific Northwest, with the remaining old growth forests as the centerpiece.
4. Strictly complies with existing environmental laws -- including the Endangered Species Act.

Please keep us informed of the actions being taken regarding this vital matter by your office and President Clinton.

Sincerely,



Donald S. Heintzelman
President

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7928 Lynwood Drive
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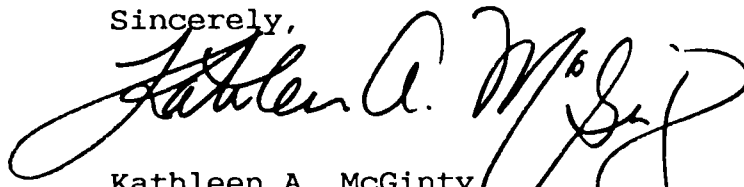
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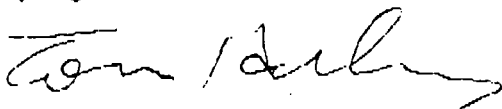
Dear Ms. McGinty,

Please ensure that President Clinton receives my opinion regarding the ancient forest ecosystem issue as outlined below:

- Discard Option Number Nine
- I want a plan that creates permanent ancient forest reserves, not reserves in which logging is permitted.
- The President's plan must obey existing environmental laws; there should be no "sufficiency" language in the President's proposal.
- I want President Clinton to live up to the promises he made at the Forest Conference.

Thank you so much for your help!

My regards,



Tom Hahney

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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Ms. Ellen Howard
2011 Waite Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI 49008

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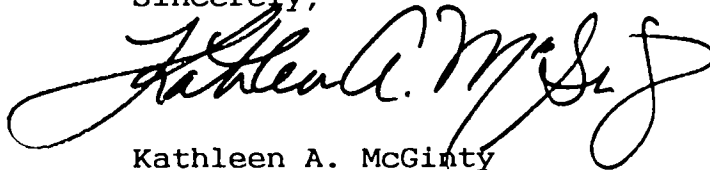
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Attn: Kathleen McGinty
Director of the Office on Environmental Policy
Room 358, Old Executive Office Building
17th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue N.W.
Washington, DC 20501

Dear President Clinton,

Thank you for your leadership on and commitment to finding a solution to the ancient forest crisis in the Pacific Northwest. As a native and resident of Portland, Oregon for most of my life, I speak from firsthand experience of this precious and irreplaceable resource.

I hope that the ancient forest plan which your administration is now assembling will save all remaining ancient forests in the Pacific Northwest in order to protect the many species threatened if they are lost. In addition, the ancient forests east of the Cascade Mountain Range should be protected to ensure the survival of the many fish species which depend on them (and the many jobs that depend on the fish). Strict standards must be sent for adherence to all environmental laws and court orders, and the export of raw logs must be reduced in the interest of U.S. jobs.

I appreciate your consideration of these important issues, sincerely,

Ellen Howland

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Ms. Jennifer Hillman
835 N.W. 60th Street
Seattle, WA 98107

Dear Ms. Hillman:

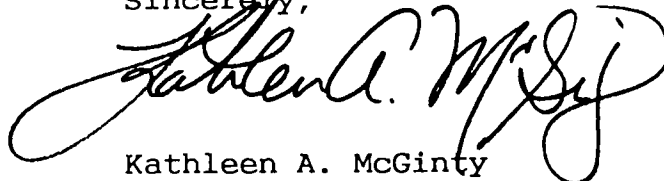
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

June 7, 1993

Dear Katie McIntyre

It is imperative that we protect the remaining 6% of our original, virgin forests. American taxpayers have lost \$5.6 billion over the last 10 years in below-cost timber sales in our National Forests. You MUST achieve the following goals:

- 1) Stop the cutting of ALL NATIVE forests immediately and PERMANENTLY protect all federally managed roadless areas from development.
- 2) Ban the export and import of all minimally processed forest products to solve the forest crisis in the U.S. without sacrificing forests in other parts of the world.
- 3) Support ecosystem based protection such as the Northern Rockies Ecosystem Protection Act to ensure economic & biological stability.
- 4) Reduce paper & other wood product consumption & encourage development of alternative fibers!

I look forward to hearing from you regarding your actions.

Jennifer Hillman -
835 NW 60th Street
Seattle, WA 98107

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Mr. Glen Holmberg
P.O. Box 911
Bingen, WA 98605

Dear Mr. Holmberg:

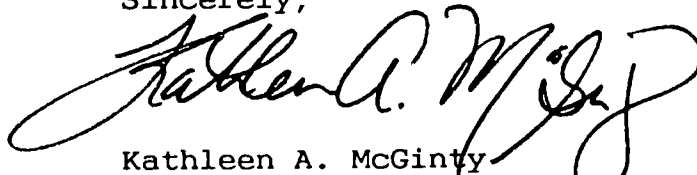
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KAM/avl

Glen Blumberg
P.O. Box 911
Bingen WA 98605

Mr. Tom Collier
Chief of Staff
Department of the Interior
1849 C Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20240

June 9th 1993

Dear Mr. Collier:

It has come to my attention that right now policies are being formed that will help determine the fate of the natural ecosystems in the Pacific Northwest.

As a resident of Washington state, I will live in, see, and feel this fate, whatever its course may be. The northwest is gifted with tall mountains, big trees, and an abundance of fish in its rivers. This is the reason I live here, to experience this natural beauty. But the land is not what it once was. It is changing very rapidly. Looking behind the curtain of trees that line each road I find a vast barren waste land. A dirty secret unnoticed by the casual observer. For the past 12 years logging companies have raped the land and fueled the fire of lust and greed. They are working now harder than ever to take what's left, regardless of policy decisions. They are creating their own fate, as well as mine. Won't you please stop them? It is time for a change! The new administration has the power, and I hope the foresight to give back to the land and to the people who live here - what so many of us want - "Protection". Please don't crumble to the grip of evil, big money, special interest groups. Develop a sound ecological policy for our Pacific Northwest and seal our fate forever.

Sincerely Glen Blumberg

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Ms. Nadine Harley
1434 Peacock Lane
Brentwood, MO 63144

Dear Ms. Harley:

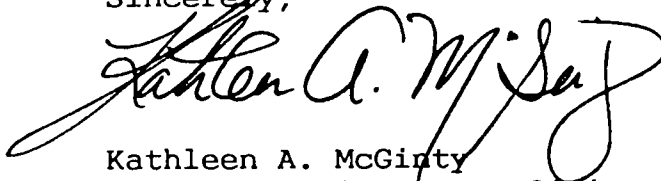
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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DEAR MR. GEARAN,

I VOTED FOR THE PRESIDENT BECAUSE HE PROMISED
TO RESPECT THE ENVIRONMENT. NOW I ASK THE
CLINTON ADMINISTRATION TO PROTECT PERMANENTLY
THE ANCIENT FORESTS. REJECT THE TIMBER INDU-
STRY'S ELEVENTH HOUR PROPOSALS. DO NOT DENY
CITIZEN ACCESS TO COURTS. REAFFIRM YOUR
COMMITMENT TO SCIENTIFIC, LEGALLY RESPON-
SIBLE PROTECTION OF ANCIENT FORESTS.

YOURS TRULY

NADINE HARLEY

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Mr. A. C. Hagan
5152 Suson Hills Drive
Mehlville, MO 63128

Dear Mr. Hagan:

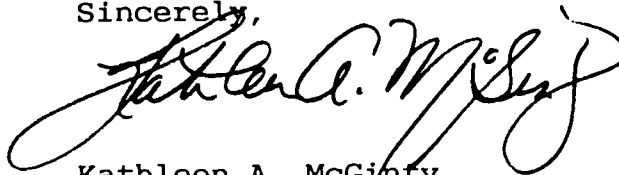
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

June 19

Dear Mr. Sprou

President Clinton promised to care
for the environment. Now it's time
to resist pressure from the timber
industry, do NOT allow cutting in the
ancient forests in any amount.
Save this ecosystem!

Thank you,

Yours truly
Al Hagan

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Mr. and Ms. Ken and Ella-Ree Hansen
329 W. 37th Avenue
Eugene, OR 97405

Dear Mr. and Ms. Hansen:

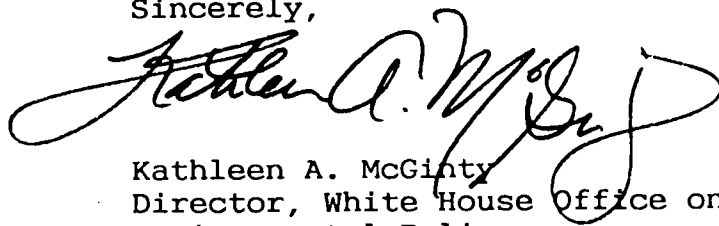
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Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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329 W 37th Ave

EUGENE, OR 97405

JUNE 22, 1993

MS KATIE MCGINTY
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
FAX 202/456-2710

Dear Ms McGinty:

I WAS VERY MUCH IMPRESSED WITH PRESIDENT CLINTON'S ATTITUDE
AT THE FOREST CONFERENCE HERE IN OREGON AND THE
PROMISES HE MADE IN RE PRESERVING OUR HERITAGE
OF OLD GROWTH FORESTS, ALLOWING 90-95% ~~MANAGED~~ BY
IRRESPONSIBLE LOGGING. I HAVE TO LAUGH WHEN I SEE
OUR EFFORTS TO SAVE SOMEONE ELSE'S RAIN FORESTS
WHEN WE ARE DOING WORSE TO OUR OWN FORESTS.

PLEASE EXPRESS TO PRESIDENT CLINTON OUR DESIRE THAT HE
NOT "SELL OUT" TO THE TIMBER INDUSTRY AND THAT HE
BE INSTRUMENTAL IN CREATING PERMANENT ANCIENT FOREST
PRESERVES AND THAT HIS PLAN OBEY EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL
LAWS WITHOUT "SURREPTITIOUS" LANGUAGE. PLEASE DISCARD
OPTION NUMBER NINE!

Sincerely yours,
KEN & ELLA-REE HANSEN

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Ms. Sharon Harmon
P.O. Box 1067
Portland, OR 97211

Dear Ms. Harmon:

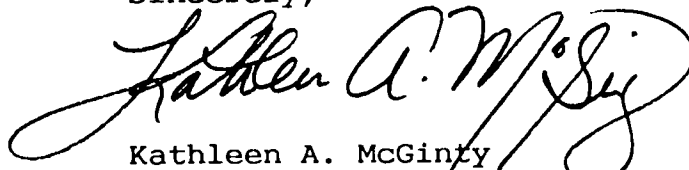
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FAX TO: Katie McGinty, Director
202-456-2710

FAX FROM: Sharon Harmon PO Box 1067 Portland OR 97211

RE: Clinton's Forest Plan / Option 9

DATE: 6-22-93

Dear Ms. McGinty,

The Northwest's forest are very important to me personally. The forests and the salmon, trout, steelhead runs they produce are the defining feature of our regional culture. The deforestation that occurred under Reagan-Bush was a prime motivator for me to vote for President Clinton.

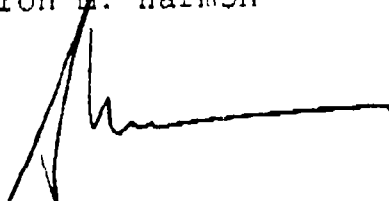
Now, as momentous decisions are being made, I'm very concerned that political influences have undermined science and resulted in Option 9 as reported in today's Oregonian Newspaper. These are my chief concerns.

1. I strongly object to allowing logging in ancient forest reserves as reported in the paper.
2. Increased logging, especially of old growth, on the eastside will be a disaster and shouldn't be used to attempt to make up for reduced westside volumes.
3. Log exports haven't been addressed. I reject the view that we have to sell-off the National Forests while private timber companies are exporting their raw logs overseas. I suggest that companies who export unfinished logs should not be allowed to bid on Federal timber sales.
4. Finally, fisheries which are so vital to our economy and culture should be given the highest level of protection. This means preserving the remaining roadless areas, sufficient buffer zones on all streams, and watershed stabilization and rehabilitation.

I urge you to consider the above points and incorporate them into a final forest plan in replacement of Option 9.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sharon M. Harmon



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Ms. Gail C. Hansen
P.O. Box 641
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Dear Ms. Hansen:

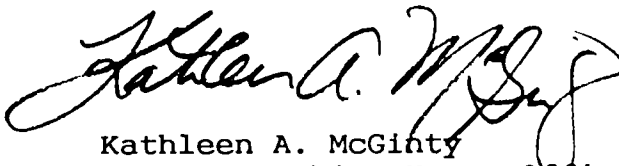
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Gail C. Hansen
BOX 641, Manhattan Beach, California 90266-0641

6-21-93

To:

President W. J. Clinton

Ms. Katie McGinty fax (202) 456-2710

From:

Gail Hansen ~~John~~

re. Ancient Forest Reserves

I am faxing this message to ask that
effect a plan which creates a
permanent forest reserve of the
ancient trees - one which would
not permit logging.

I ask that the discard option # 9 -
and delete any "sufficiency" language
in the President's proposal.

Please encourage President Clinton
to abide by his words and
promises he voiced at the recent
Forest conference.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Ms. Ann Hawes
12827 164th Avenue N.E.
Redmond, WA 98052

Dear Ms. Hawes:

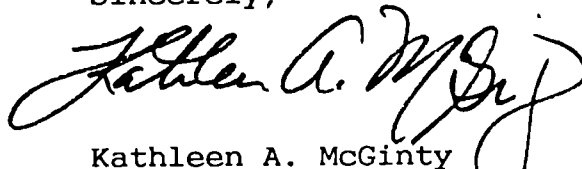
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CAMPAIGN TO SAVE THE

The Western Ancient Forest Campaign

Frank McGuckey

ANCIENT FORESTS

As a resident of the Pacific Northwest, I urge you to protect our remaining Northwest Ancient Forests. With only 10% of our Ancient Forests left, they should be preserved for future generations, because once they're gone, they're gone forever. To cut these forests down would be as shameful as filling the Grand Canyon with cement.

We urge you to show leadership to solve this problem once and for all by taking the following action:

- Create permanent Ancient Forest Reserves
- Protect salmon habitat on both East and West-side forests
- Reduce log exports to keep jobs in the Northwest
- Create rural economic development programs
- Enforce existing environmental laws

Please let me know your views on this vital issue.

Name

Address

Frank McGuckey
12827 164th Ave NE
Redmond WA 98052

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

The Staff of Human-i-Tees
Human-i-Tees
19 Marble Avenue
Pleasantville, NY 10570

Dear Friends:

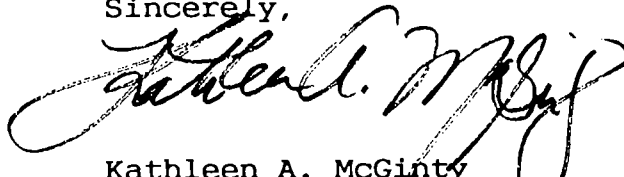
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Human-i-Tees

THE ENVIRONMENTAL T-SHIRT COMPANY

June 25, 1993

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

Dear Ms. McGinty:

The attached letter is to express our deep concern regarding the fate of our national forests. Please give this letter serious consideration. We feel it is a matter of great importance.

Thank you.

Respectfully yours,

The Staff of Human-i-Tees

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Mr. William T. Howe
135 Ridge Avenue
Park Ridge, NJ 07656

Dear Mr. Howe:

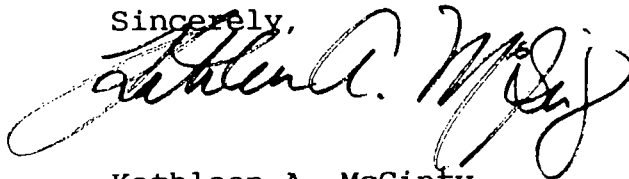
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135 Ridge Avenue
Park Ridge, NJ 07656
6-25-93

Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director-Office of Environmental Policy
Room 360 Old Executive Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C. 20501 Fx 202-456-2710

Dear Ms. McGinty:

Please relay to President Clinton my strong concern that he adhere to his promise to develop a scientifically sound, ecologically credible and legally responsible plan for protecting the Pacific Northwests public forests. All remaining ancient forest must be protected and the export of raw logs from public lands be stopped! I insist that the President work to keep log processing jobs in the United States and export only finished wood products.

Thank you for your active voice.

Respectfully,

Wm. T Howe

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Mr. Carl Hunsberger
President
Carl Hunsbergers Sawmill, Inc.
3005 Rich Hill Road
Quakertown, PA 18951

Dear Mr. Hunsberger:

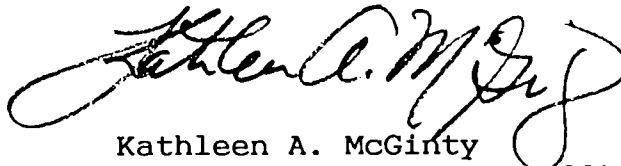
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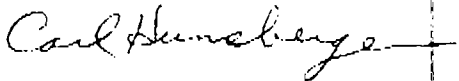
CARL HUNSBERGERS SAWMILL, INC.
3005 Rich Hill Road
Quakertown, Pa. 18951
215-538-1155 FAX 215-538-1165
July 12, 1993

Katie McGinty
White House Office of Environmental Policy

Dear Ms. McGinty

We, at CARL HUNSBERGERS SAWMILL, INC. are very much opposed to option 9 of the North West USA timber harvest issue. This is far too scant a reduction to be considered as a reasonable option.

Sincerely



Carl Hunsberger, Pres.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Mrs. F. Haaland
1701 128th Street East
Tacoma, WA 98445

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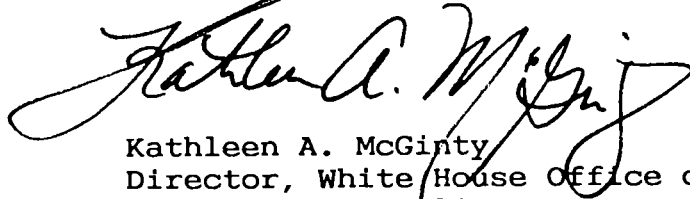
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Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

We must help President Clinton
do as he promised - to do the right
and honest thing. Don't crumble to the
powerful Timber forces. It is mostly quiet
and no fight. The Clinton line is an
unacceptable option. Another way to appease
the Timber Barons - There should be no
"sufficient" language - and obey environmental laws.
Mr Mc Minty please help him preserve our
Ancient Forests - Sincerely

Fern Hagland - Tacoma - Washington
98445

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Prince George, VA 23875

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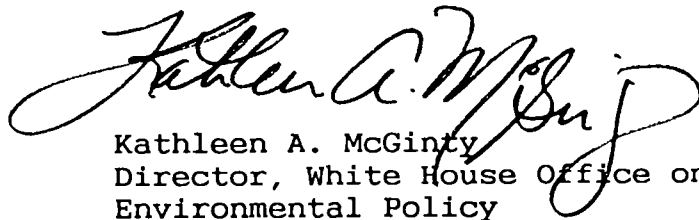
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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Joe Hamilton
4425 Martinson Lane
Prince George, VA 23875

July 6, 1993

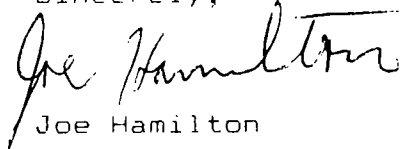
Ms. Katy McGinty
The White House
Office of Environmental Policy
360 Old Executive Building
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I feel the Administration has not handed out a balanced solution in their "Option 9" proposal for the Pacific Northwest forest problem. A 75% reduction in the timber harvest level for that region is unreasonable. Do you realize what that reduction could and will do to long term lumber prices? I think the American public saw a little bit of it this past winter. I know I have because I just finished adding on to my house and during the month that the work was going on plywood increased three dollars per sheet and 2 x 4's by one dollar. I live in Virginia which is a good distance from the Pacific Northwest but my roof rafters are made from Douglas Fir and they had to be special ordered.

I ask of you to please rethink this decision before lumber prices go through the ceiling, housing prices become too high, construction stops, and the economic recovery that everyone in Washington, D.C. wants to take credit for goes down the drain.

Sincerely,


Joe Hamilton

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Mr. Nathaniel Hannon
930 N. Washington
Apartment #158
Spokane, WA 99201

Dear Mr. Hannon:

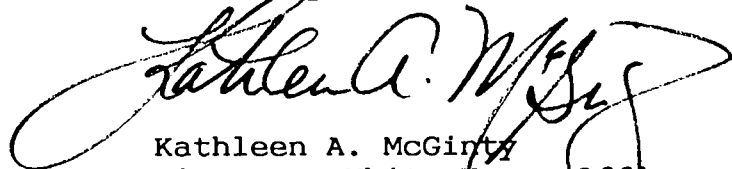
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Katie McGinty,
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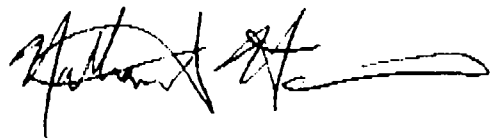
Nathaniel Hannon
930 N. Washington
#158
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Dear Ms. McGinty,

I am writing to express my deep concern for the quality of our environment and, consequently, the health of our economy. I feel it imperative that this administration develop a scientifically sound, ecologically credible, and legally responsible plan for protecting the Pacific Northwest's public forests. The quality of health of the human race and all other species of plants and animals on this planet are so utterly dependent on the increasingly fragile environment within which we exist. In the past, our government has demonstrated a blatant disregard for the direct correlation between our environment/biosphere and our existence. We have the technology and resources to balance these essential interests (environmental and economic) for an eternity. Let us not decimate the essence of our existence for the short-sighted, egoistic concerns of a few. Due to the rate of environmental degradation in the past twelve years, we must take drastic, essential steps to progressively sustain our existence; protecting all remaining ancient forests is only a beginning in the struggle to revive our environment. Taking the necessary action to protect the environment will require courageous executive decisions and decisive actions.

The process of change will take time and necessitate artificial financial support. Some workers will be displaced and will require financial assistance to meet the demands of surviving through the transition. Money for worker retraining and education must be provided. This investment is crucial during the transition towards managing our resources for the long-term. SAVE our ENVIRONMENT for everyone!!!

Thank You,



THE WHITE HOUSE

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July 13, 1993

Mr. Toby Hammons
Stone Container Corporation
Forest Products Division
P.O. Box 430
Hodge, LA 71247

Dear Mr. Hammons:

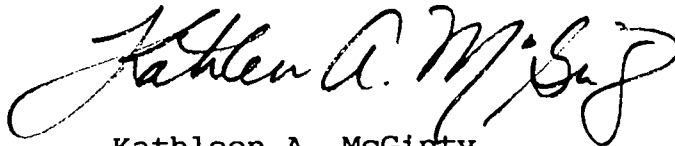
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Kathleen A. McGinty
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July 6, 1993

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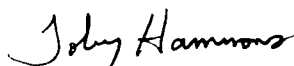
Dear Ms. McGinty:

I am writing in deep concern about the announcement of Option 9 developed by the Administration's Forest Ecosystem Task Group. If I understand correctly, the plan is set up to eliminate the vast majority of federal forest lands in the region from forest production and multiple-use management to protect an endangered species that's not even proven to be endangered.

I can't understand how a group can make such critical decisions of reducing the average annual timber harvest to 1.2 BBF over 10 years when our country's economy and unemployment statis is already facing devastating levels of financial loss. One has to wonder when decisions like this are made, if the leaders of our country really care about the livelihood of the citizens who are trying to make a living in this country, or only care about getting a pat on the back because they were heroes in the eyes of some organizational group. It's definitely an item of concern. Not only will this proposal devastate the economy of the region, but the entire nation will be affected in the way of increased lumber prices. Construction and housing markets will also be weakened. How will middle-class, young married couples just starting out afford to build a home? My main concern, however, is for families in the Pacific Northwest who's worries are far worse than determining how they will afford to build a home, but how they will afford to provide for themselves after thousands of direct and indirect jobs will be lost because of this Option 9 plan.

It is my request to see this plan studied out further so better recommendations and solutions can be derived to protect wildlife as well as the economy of the region. We need a solution that will not just address one side of the issue, but solve the problem as a whole.

Sincerely,



Toby Hammons
Concerned Citizen

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Mr. Ed Holder
P.O. Box 662
Prairie City, OR 97869

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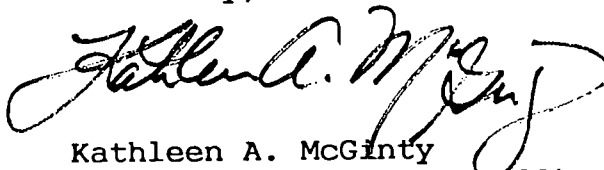
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JULY 7, 1993

TO: WHITE HOUSE OFFICE
ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY
KATHLEEN MCGINTY
OLD EXECUTIVE OFFICE BLDG.
ROOM 258
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20501

DEAR MR. MCGINTY:

ENCLOSED IS A NEWS CLIPPING FROM
OUR LOCAL WEEKLY NEWSPAPER, THE BLUE MOUNTAIN
EPOCH, OF JUNE 24, 1993.

SOME INFORMATION WILL BE HELPFUL IN
UNDERSTANDING THE DEGREE OF MY CONCERN. THE
REFERENCE TO KEN EVANS REFERS TO THE IMMEDIATE
PAST FOREST SUPERVISOR OF THE MALHEUR
NATIONAL FOREST AND NOW A LOBBYIST FOR
THE TIMBER INDUSTRY HERE IN OREGON.

THE REFERENCE TO JOHN LOWE IS REFERRING
TO THE CURRENT NORTHWEST REGIONAL FORESTER OF
REGION 6.

THE REFERENCE TO MALHEUR TIMBER
OPERATORS IS REFERRING TO AN ORGANIZED GROUP
OF MILL OWNERS AND TIMBER RELATED BUSINESSES
OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

THE REFERENCE TO COURT MEMBERS INDICATES
THE FORM OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT IN THIS COUNTY.

IN GENERAL, JOHN LOWE PARTICIPATED IN A
TIMBER INDUSTRY SPONSORED JUNKET TO A FOREST
WITHIN HIS REGION AND IN THE COMPANY OF THE
PREVIOUS FOREST SUPERVISOR TO LISTEN TO

COMPLAINTS ABOUT CURRENT FOREST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES.

I KNOW FACTUALLY THAT THE CURRENT MAJNUEE NATIONAL FOREST SUPERVISOR (MARK BOCHE) NOR ANY OTHER FOREST REPRESENTATIVE WARE NOT INVITED NOR PRESENT. NOR WERE ENVIRONMENTALIST OR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC INVITED OR PRESENT.

AT A TIME WHEN YOU AND OTHERS UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THIS ADMINISTRATION ARE ATTEMPTING TO BRING TOGETHER VARIOUS INTEREST IN THE TIMBER CRISIS, IT IS A BREACH OF PUBLIC TRUST AND PROFESSIONAL ETHICS FOR MR. HOWE TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH A SPECIAL INTEREST ACTIVITY. IT FURTHER SUGGESTS POOR MANAGEMENT SKILLS AND ARROGANCE IN NOT INFORMING HIS FOREST SUPERVISOR OF HIS VISIT OR INSISTING THAT THE FOREST SUPERVISOR BE PRESENT TO EXPLAIN FOREST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES.

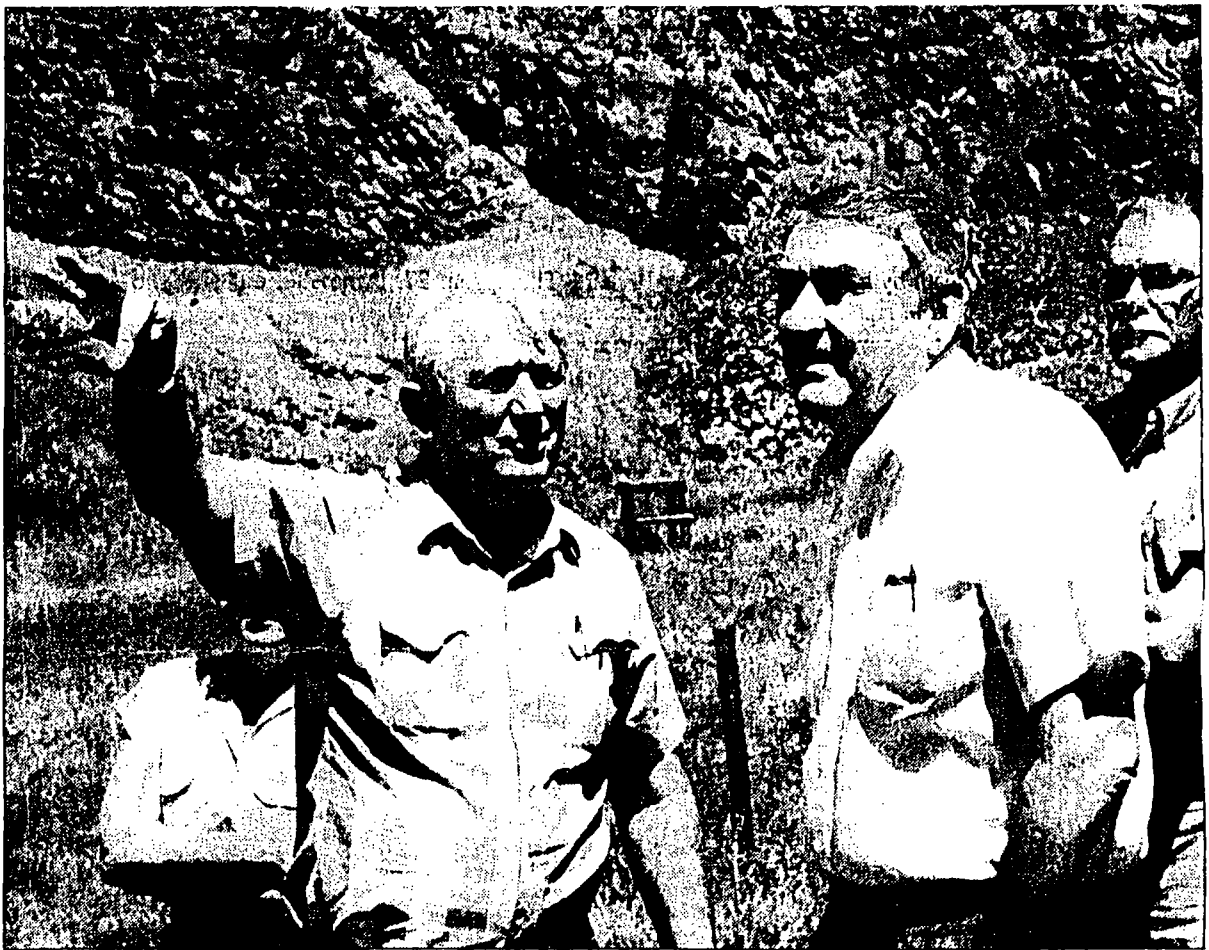
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AT THE LEAST THIS IS A MAJOR PUBLIC RELATIONS MISTAKE. AT THE WORST IT SUGGEST IMPROPER AND PROBABLY ILLEGAL SPECIAL INTEREST INFLUENCING OF MR. HOWE.

I ASK THAT THIS INCIDENT BE REVIEWED AND ACTION TAKEN TO PREVENT A REPEAT. I WOULD APPRECIATE A RESPONSE.

REGARDS

ED. HOLDEN



Eagle — Loren Russell

Retired Malheur National Forest Supervisor Ken Evans (left) points out to Regional Forester John Lowe some management alternatives that could provide dead and dying timber for area sawmills. Under the preferred management alternatives adopted by the Forest Service, these areas are scheduled to be burned to reduce the fuel load followed by the falling of dead and dying timber and then burned again. Evans and others argued that the dead and dying trees would be better used by area sawmills rather than being burned.

Regional forester meets to talk about local forest management

JOHN DAY — John Lowe, regional forester from the Portland office of the Forest Service, met Friday in John Day with sawmill owners, loggers, county court members from Grant and Harney counties and the retired supervisor of the Malheur National Forest to answer questions on the current and future availability of timber with the area.

The meeting at the Alec Gay Hall was coordinated by the Malheur Timber Operators, Inc., a consortium of sawmill owners and operators in Grant and Harney County.

Friday morning's meeting opened with a two-hour briefing and question and answer period on a variety of topics ranging from a petition to stop all old-growth logging on the east side of the Cascades filed by the National Resource Defense Council in San Francisco to establishing better working relationships and lines of

communication between the local timber industry and environmental groups.

Lowe said the three general areas of concern shaping current and future Forest Service policies in the management of public lands are the old-growth issue, roadless areas and the concept of species habitat; but he said the most immediate problem looming within the region is the listing of the bull trout under the Threatened and Endangered Species Act. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is now considering the listing.

Other topics of discussion included the probable reduction of forest receipts and related fiscal impacts on timber dependent counties; the possible assumption of federally owned lands by counties; and forest receipts

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paid to counties in lieu of property taxes.

The morning session was followed by a field trip to assorted locations along County Road 65 and Canyon Creek and Forest Road 15.

The field trip was used to illustrate the concerns of the group over forest management practices planned in the near future on the Malheur National Forest. A major concern was the exclusive use of prescribed burning as the preferred method to reduce fuel loads on the forest floor and remove dead and dying trees.

The consensus of the group on tour was that a substantial volume of

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July 13, 1993

Mr. Bassam Habal
330A Beacon Street
Somerville, MA 02143

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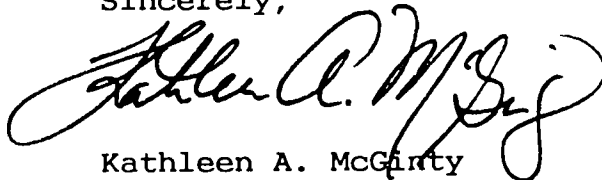
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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Bassam Habal
330A Beacon St.
Somerville, Ma 02143

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I would appreciate it if you relayed my concerns to President Clinton. First as an owner of the Pacific Northwest's **public** forests, I want all logging on these public lands stopped. All remaining ancient forest must be protected. Our planet cannot afford to compromise the rest away. All exports of raw logs must cease as well. The President must work to keep log processing jobs from being exported. Only finished wood products should be exported. In his campaign, the President talked about the importance of environmental protection. Now is the time.

Sincerely,
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Ms. Ann Hancock, MPH
329 South Brush Street
Graton, CA 95444

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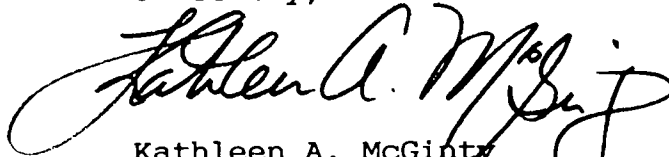
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Ms. Ann Hancock, MPH
329 South Brush St.
Graton, CA 95444

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.

Sincerely,

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Ms. Ann Hancock, MPH



American Public Power Association

2301 M Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20037-1484
202/467-2900

July 21, 1993

Kathleen McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Katie:

The American Public Power Association (APPA), the national service organization representing more than 2,000 local, publicly owned not-for-profit electric utilities throughout the country, applauds the administration's effort to return U.S. greenhouse gas emissions to their 1990 levels by the year 2000 through the use of voluntary efforts rather than command-and-control measures. While the causes and effects of human induced global climate change are still subject to debate and uncertainty, it is important to pursue national energy policies that are sound public policy irrespective of the final outcome of global climate change research.

To that end, APPA believes that the U.S. National Action Plan now undergoing revision should support the implementation of those national energy policies that make environmental and economic sense, including such plans that would:

- consider demand-side as well as supply-side measures in utility resource planning;
- promote the use of energy-efficient equipment and processes;
- accelerate research, development, demonstration and market commercialization of non-fossil electricity supply technologies; and
- promote the development of alternative fuel vehicles.

In addition to the above-cited principles drawn from APPA's global climate resolution, we urge the administration to consider a series of detailed options designed to minimize net U.S. greenhouse gas emissions through voluntary and cost-effective technology and efficiency improvement programs. These options are listed on the attached document.

Kathleen McGinty
July 21, 1993
Page Two

Thank you for your consideration. APPA looks forward to working with the administration on the inclusion of these and other strategies in the U.S. National Action Plan for minimizing greenhouse gas emissions.

Sincerely,

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Larry Hobart
Executive Director

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cc: Marc Chupka

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July 30, 1993

Mr. Larry Hobart
American Public Power Association
2301 M Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20037-2900

Dear Mr. Hobart:

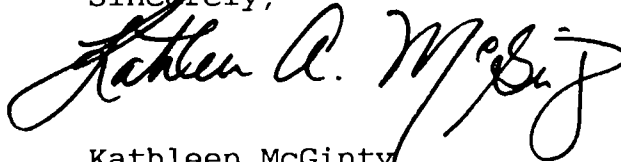
Thank you for the information regarding the American Public Power Association's concerns about efforts to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases. I appreciate learning about your ideas.

As you may know, the President announced on Earth Day our nation's commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by the year 2000. As part of that commitment, a Climate Change Mitigation Group was formed, and is examining cost-effective policies to achieve this reduction.

I appreciate your suggestions as to voluntary efforts. I look forward to working together to realize the President's goal.

Again, thank you for contacting me.

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July 7, 1993

Ms. Alice Henson
Route 3, Box 1545
Afton, OK 74331

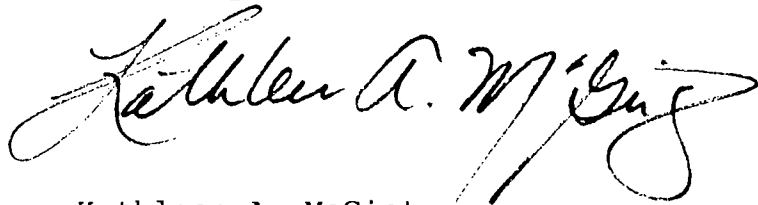
Dear Ms. Henson:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your thoughts about the flooding problems in the area surrounding Grand Lake and the Neosho River. I sincerely 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 your concerns about the lack of cooperation between the Grand River Dam Association and the Army Corp of Engineers in controlling the water levels in this region. I am forwarding a copy of your letter to the Army Corp of Engineers for their review.

Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me.

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Route 3, Box 1545
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May 18, 1993

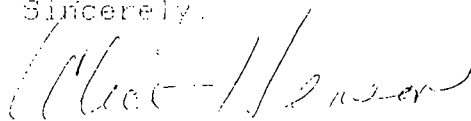
Ms Kathlene McGinty
Office of Environment
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms McGinty:

I want to call to your attention the flooding problems around Grand Lake and along the Neosho River that flows from Kansas into Grand Lake o'the Cherokees in Oklahoma. I believe that the damage to homes and property in these areas could be avoided by cooperation between Grand River Dam Association (GRDA) and the Corps of Engineers that control the lake levels at the Pensacola Dam. Seemingly, lack of cooperation between these two groups plus the desire to maintain high water for electricity production have caused repeated, avoidable damage to the lake and the surrounding lands, homes, and businesses.

Your assistance is urgently requested to help avert further preventable damage to this area.

Sincerely,



Alice Henson

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 7, 1993

Mr. Thomas J. Halicki
Director of Federal Affairs
National Association of Towns
and Townships
1522 K Street, N.W.
Suite 600
Washington, D.C. 20005

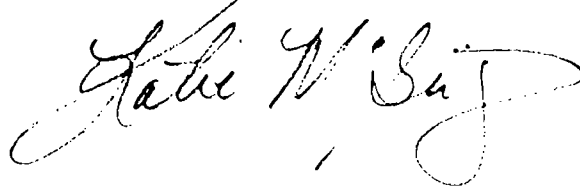
Dear Mr. Halicki:

Thank you for your letter regarding your thoughts about problems surrounding the implementation of environmental mandates and the Regulatory Flexibility Act. I enjoyed our meeting earlier this spring, and I sincerely apologize for the delay in my response.

As you know, I share President Clinton's commitment to the preservation of our environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. I understand your concerns about the monitoring and reporting requirements for the Safe Drinking Water Act, as well as design standards for landfills. I also appreciate learning your views about the Regulatory Flexibility Act and its relevancy to small local governments. I agree with you that we need to look carefully at how the federal government interacts with localities in implementing national environmental laws. I am forwarding a copy of your letter to EPA Administrator Browner for her review.

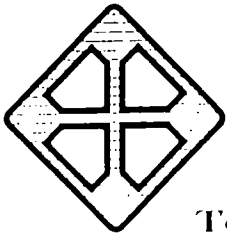
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**National
Association of
Towns and Townships**

May 21, 1993

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

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I appreciate your devoting time from your busy schedule to hear from some of us about the problems implementing environmental mandates in the nation's localities.

I want to reemphasize a point that was made at the meeting. The mandate problem is not simply a funding issue, though funding is obviously a critical piece of the problem. A large part of the problem is with the regulations themselves, either because the scientific methodology for a standard is suspect, or because the regulator assumes that all local governments face the same problems and are equally capable of devoting resources to solve a problem.

With regard to the common assumption that communities are alike, I suggested that rigorous enforcement of the Regulatory Flexibility Act could be a source of relief for many communities from some aspects of environmental mandates. I do not mean to suggest that local governments should be exempted from mandates. My argument is that small local governments have the right to comply but in some cases are denied that right because of the way many regulations are crafted.

A case in point is the Safe Drinking Water Act. The monitoring and reporting requirements for that Act can make a small water system non-viable just through the process of proving its water is safe to drink. If the drinking water system shuts down because it is unable to afford the monitoring requirements, its customers dig their own wells and get a completely unregulated source of drinking water, probably located near their septic system, which may or may not be working.

Another case in point is landfill design standards. It is understood that we are moving into an era of large regional landfills because stringent landfill design standards are costly and small communities can't

afford to maintain their own landfill. Citizens of those small communities, especially in rural areas where distances to landfills are greater, face higher disposal costs. I think it's safe to assume that there will be more disposal of waste along roadsides and in certain locations that are convenient.

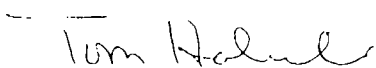
In both cases, the result is greater risk of pollution or contamination, not less. However, there are ways to reduce some of the costs of monitoring drinking water quality without compromising safety. And while I don't mean to suggest that all small landfills are models of safe environmental practices, I'm not sure that all should be assumed to be equally capable of fouling the environment and thereby subject to financial assurance and other requirements to stay open. Local governments are still going to have to pay to clean up midnight dumping.

The benefit of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, if properly implemented, is that, though it may not put money in the hands of local elected officials, it saves them from having to spend as much. Perhaps better still, and of potentially great public relations value, it can eliminate one more regulation which makes absolutely no sense. The classic case is requiring water systems in every state to monitor for a contaminant used only in growing pineapples, which are obviously grown only in one state. As Dave Barry would say, "I swear this is the truth. I'm not making it up."

The problem with the Act is that it is not enforced and it requires agencies to be creative and devise flexible approaches to policy goals. The problem in this last regard is that most people don't understand how small communities operate and, therefore, do not know how to devise appropriate strategies to fit the circumstances. Further, agencies like EPA have been given greater workloads but not greater resources, and so are loathe to make more work for themselves. As a Washington representative for small local governments, I have limited sympathy for regulators who feel overburdened.

I am taking the liberty of enclosing a brief summary of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. If you have any questions, I would be more than glad to help you or your staff. I hope we can follow up with Administrator Browner, as you suggested. Again, thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



Tom Halicki
Director of Federal Affairs

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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July 20, 1993

Ms. Nancy C. Hoskins
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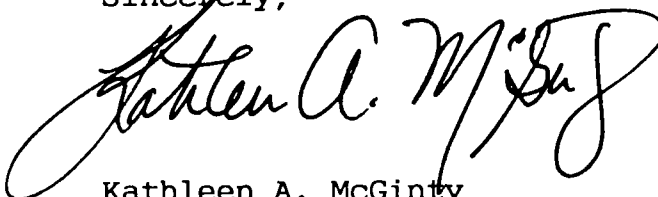
Dear Ms. Hoskins:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your thoughts about Champion International's paper mill located in Canton, North Carolina.

As you know, I share President Clinton's and Vice President Gore's commitment to the preservation of our environment. I understand your concerns about the discharge from the paper mill into the Pigeon River. I have notified the Region IV Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency of your thoughts in this matter. I am sure that your concerns will be given every consideration.

Again, thank you for sharing your views with me.

Sincerely,

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

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March 12, 1993

Dear Mrs. McGinty,

I am a proud resident of North Carolina. However, I am outraged to see Champion International running roughshod over the laws of this state, disregarding E.P.A. regulations, etc.

I am writing to ask for a retraction of the variance for the Canton mill in E.P.A. Region four.

Thank you,
Nancy Clarke Hoskins

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 20, 1993

Mr. Charles Hendershot
RD. #2
Bellaire, OH 43905

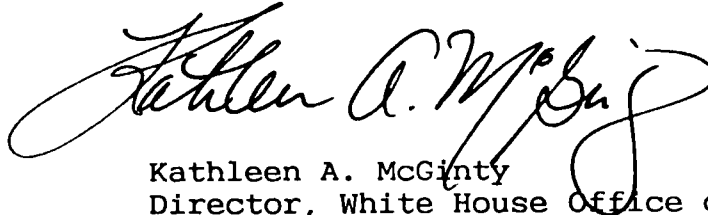
Dear Mr. Hendershot:

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.

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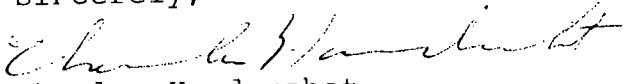
July 10, 1993

Katie McGinty
Director-Designate
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building, Room 360
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Katie McGinty:

Please support Mr. Bruce Boyens for the Director of the Office of Surface Mining. He is the best qualified for the position, in my opinion.

Sincerely,


Charles Hendershot

THE WHITE HOUSE

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July 20, 1993

Mr. E.J. Hess
Senior Vice President
Exxon Corporation
225 East John W. Carpenter Freeway
Irving, TX 75062

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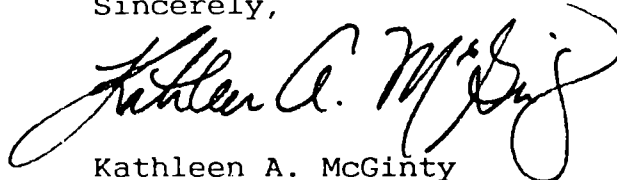
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June 17, 1993

The Honorable Carol M. Browner
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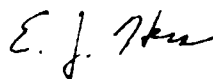
I understand the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is reviewing options for exempting municipalities from Superfund liability or for capping their liability. Furthermore, I have been advised that EPA is considering a near-term announcement of such action, perhaps as early as this weekend. I urge you not to provide preferential treatment to any party by relieving them from liability obligations under Superfund. Preferential treatment for any single party or group would result in a disproportionately unfair burden to be imposed on remaining parties. Instead, I urge you to support a comprehensive review of the statute, regulations and associated Agency practices.

As President Clinton and others have acknowledged, Superfund is not working and requires fundamental reform to achieve timely, cost-effective clean-ups with equitable sharing of costs.

The joint and several liability standard employed under Superfund is grossly unfair and results in unnecessary costly litigation and delay. Instead of providing relief to a select group like municipalities, which exacerbates an already unfair situation, we should devote our efforts to development of a more equitable process for all. Toward that end, I suggest that the issue of municipal liability be included in the comprehensive review of Superfund by the advisory committee EPA has announced plans to form over the summer.

I urge EPA to proceed with a comprehensive reform of CERCLA and not to limit prematurely future options by exempting any potentially responsible parties.

Very truly yours,



cc: Ms. Kathleen A. McGinty
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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Vice President
Industrial Chemicals Division
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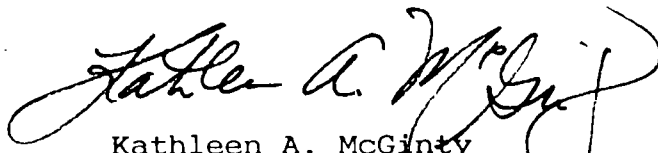
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Director, White House Office on
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June 18, 1993

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Dear Ms. McGinty:

On behalf of Aristech Chemical Corporation, I am writing to express my and the company's deep concern with a proposal the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is considering that would exempt municipalities from superfund liability or would 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. We currently operate ten manufacturing facilities in eight states, including my division's facility in Ohio. Our company competes in the international market, one in which the U.S. has successfully and consistently maintained a significantly positive balance of trade. The proposal U.S. E.P.A. is considering would seemingly ignore the need to maintain the global competitiveness of our industry.

The municipal share of liability at superfund sites is at least 15 billion dollars and likely to grow. 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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I appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,

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Smith E. Howland
Vice President
Industrial Chemicals Division

THE WHITE HOUSE

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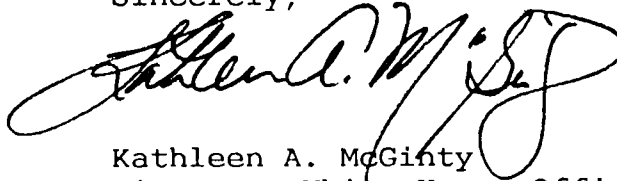
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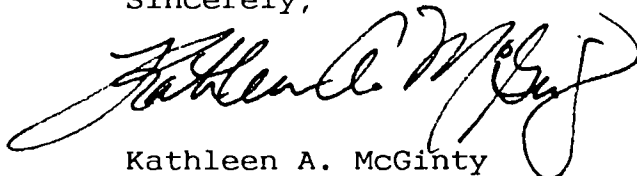
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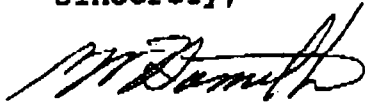
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I appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



C. W. Hamilton

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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July 20, 1993

Mr. Edward L. Holloway
President
Associated Industries of Kentucky
2303 Greene Way
Louisville, KY 40220

Dear Mr. Holloway:

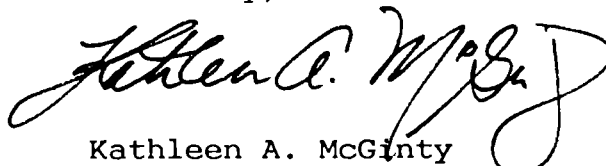
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June 17, 1993

Ms. Kathleen A. McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
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Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I am writing to earnestly petition your most energetic efforts to counter proposed municipal "carve-outs" from Superfund liability, an initiative currently under review and expected to be announced this Saturday by EPA Administrator Carol Browner at a meeting of the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

Against a backdrop of the recent formation of a public advisory committee to review the problems of Superfund - with reforms to be recommended this fall - a move to remove this country's cities from their share of the program's \$15-billion liability could not send a stronger message that EPA has no interest in open dialogue and a fair, balanced solution.

The 5,300 business and industry members of Associated Industries of Kentucky are very much opposed to any special relief for cities from their Superfund responsibilities without comprehensive reform for everyone. It is obvious that the incentive for EPA to contain cleanup costs at these landfills will be lost with the removal of cities from the remediation equation. Further, if EPA were to exempt the cities, it is likely that other groups would follow with demands for their own special-interest carve-outs, thereby undermining the entire process of comprehensive reform.

It follows that this sort of special-interest imbalance would create even more friction, litigation and delay which are already the high-profile hallmarks of this program, leaving markedly fewer entities to absorb the Superfund liability of those who managed to escape the program. This would bring about a multi-billion-dollar shift in liability from the cities to non-municipal parties, including state and federal governments. This would seriously harm industries trying to compete internationally and additionally could bankrupt small companies, thus increasing the federal government's cleanup costs.

Unfairly forgiving municipal Superfund responsibility would send the message, it seems to us, that the program has become so expensive that Washington cannot justify it to American cities. That cries out for comprehensive reform, not piece-meal carve-outs. I respectfully suggest that this is a view shared by a large segment of the regulated American public: large industry, small business, such non-profit entities as our universities, and even current

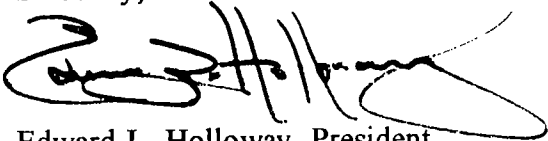
The Action Team for Kentucky Business

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municipal owner-operators of today's landfills.

Again, you have my sincerest appeal to make every effort to influence a fair and comprehensive solution to a massive problem of environmental cleanup with enormously expensive consequences.

Sincerely,

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Edward L. Holloway, President
Associated Industries of Kentucky

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July 20, 1993

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President and CEO
Occidental Chemical Corporation
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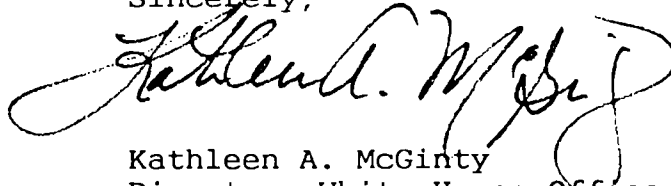
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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J. Roger Hirl
President and Chief Executive Officer

June 16, 1993

Via Fax

Ms. Kathleen A. McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office on Environmental Policy
Washington, D. C.

Dear Ms. McGinty:

We have received information indicating that EPA Administrator Browner may announce to a conference of mayors on Saturday, June 19, the results of EPA's reviewing options for exempting municipalities from liability under Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (Superfund). The chemical industry through the Chemical Manufacturers Association has worked aggressively and actively with the administration, Congress, EPA, and all affected parties since the passage of the Superfund law to "make it work."

Most recently we were advised that EPA would form a public advisory committee to review problems of Superfund, including municipal liability, and recommend reforms later this year. To circumvent that process in a direct announcement to mayors bypasses the constructive communications process we have maintained for many years.

Exempting municipalities or, as a matter of fact, any special interest groups under a law based on joint and several liability would in fact create more in the way of litigation, transaction costs, and the myriad of nonproductive uses of resources that have plagued Superfund throughout its history. Shifting the burden to nonmunicipal parties would seriously harm industries, such as the chemical industry, which is a major exporter of products --\$44 billion annually--that cannot recover the potential shifted burden of Superfund costs. In fact, some of the industry's smaller companies easily could be faced with bankruptcy.

The fact that the Superfund program has become so sweeping, so stringent, and so costly--yet ineffective--that municipalities and others are driven to find ways to be carved out of the liability is a very clear indication of the need for total reform of this law.

As chief executive officer of a major U. S. chemical manufacturer, as well as chairman of the Chemical Manufacturers Association, I urge you to avoid any actions that provide exemptions for special-interest groups but rather to focus on the full restructuring of Superfund law.

Respectfully,

JRH:hhb



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 20, 1993

The Honorable Thomas F. Hallihan
Mayor
City of Ansonia
City Hall
253 Main Street
Ansonia, CT 06401

Dear Mayor Hallihan:

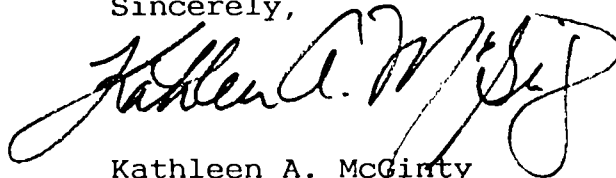
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THOMAS F. HALLIHAN
MAYOR

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May 28, 1993

Katie McGinty
Environmental Advisor to the President
FAX 202-456-2710

Dear Ms. 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 the 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 businesses 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.

Very truly yours,

Thomas F. Hallihan
Mayor

TFH/clb

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 20, 1993

Mr. James M. Herron
Senior Executive Vice President
and General Counsel
Ryder System, Inc.
3600 N.W. 82 Avenue
Miami, FL 33166

Dear Mr. Herron:

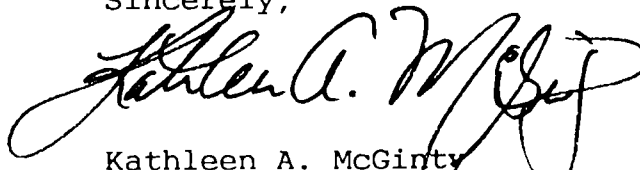
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Miami Florida 33166
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James M. Herron
Senior Executive Vice President
and General Counsel

RYDER SYSTEM

June 23, 1993

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

Dear Ms. McGinty:

Ryder System, Inc. strongly opposes any attempt to limit artificially the liability of municipalities in connection with the Superfund program. Ryder subsidiaries are, and have been, involved in a number of Superfund sites over the last few years, mostly because of the sale of used oil to recyclers. Several of the sites in which our subsidiaries have been named as potentially responsible parties ("PRPs") have been former municipal landfills. Most of the wastes picked up from Ryder facilities for these sites would have been primarily paper products, food wastes, and other non-hazardous materials. It is also possible that the Ryder PRPs could have put used, drained oil filters into the dumpster for disposal. Because of this, we have had to contribute to the cost of cleaning up these sites.

It is not uncommon for municipalities to be involved as PRPs at the same Superfund sites as Ryder companies. The municipalities may be PRPs because of the disposal of used oil and related substances from city fleet, bus or truck operations or because of municipal solid waste ("MSW").

At each site, when PRPs are able to come together as a group to carry out the required studies and remediation, it is essential to all parties that there be a sense of fairness in the allocation of responsibility and costs. If some PRPs are singled out for special treatment, the Superfund program becomes even more unfair than it has been. What is worse, the remaining PRPs have to pick up more than their fair share of the costs for those being treated preferentially.

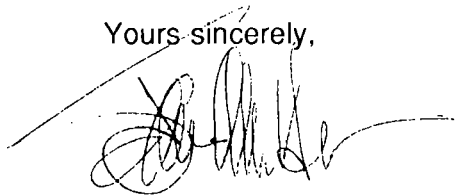
Furthermore, at many landfill Superfund sites, the remedy selected by the EPA for cleanup of the site is to cap the property. In these cases, the main drivers of the cost of the remediation are the size of the site and the amount of waste, not just the amount of hazardous waste. For that reason, it is especially unfair for the cities who generally have contributed the vast majority of the volume of the waste to pay the least. Industrial generators, who typically have contributed the least amount of waste, would end up paying a vastly disproportionate share of the costs.

Ms. Kathleen A. McGinty
June 23, 1993
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It may be true that cities cannot afford to pay Superfund response costs. But that is just as true in regards to many businesses today. If the concept of the Superfund law is to make the polluters pay, then at least let's make them each pay a relatively fair amount. Don't single out a particular group of responsible parties by limiting their liability at the expense of the rest of the parties. Where is the fairness in that?

At this time when the Superfund reauthorization process is just beginning and many groups are attempting to develop helpful approaches to improving the law, this is not the time to make the existing law more unfair.

Yours sincerely,

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 22, 1993

Ms. Diana Helmich
3537 W. Morten
Phoenix, AZ 85051

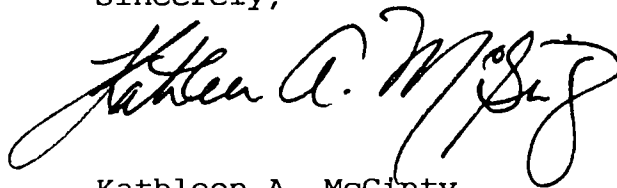
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

June 15, 1993

Kathleen McGinty
White House Office on Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Bldg., Rm. 358
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

As a private citizen and taxpayer I have taken a little time to review the purpose of the Animal Damage Control (ADC) Program. The ADC predator control program is neither cost-effective nor biologically sound. In 1992 the ADC spent over 45 million taxpayer dollars to kill wildlife on public lands and to develop poisons and control techniques for wild animals. Most of these techniques are indiscriminate and place threatened and endangered species in jeopardy. At the same time the government spends millions to kill predators, it also funds multi-million dollar programs to protect and reintroduce endangered species.

In fiscal year 1992 over 109 thousand predatory mammals and more than 1.5 million birds were killed by the ADC. Its killing methods - poison baits, traps, snares, denning and aerial gunning - are indiscriminate and inhumane.

Ranchers need to be responsible for protecting their own livestock and doing so with non-lethal techniques. There are several methods available.

Taxpayers should not be expected to provide a zero-risk business for anyone including the livestock industry. We insist that this outdated tax-supported federal war on wildlife come to an end, and that the government begin to protect our natural heritage.

Sincerely,


Diana Helmich
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 22, 1993

Ms. Peggy Handelsman
R.R. 2, Box 369
Rome, NY 13440

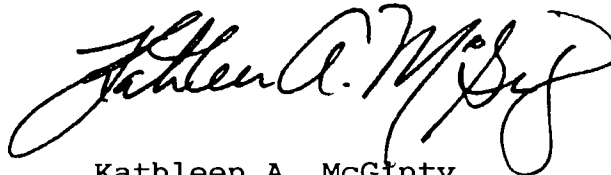
Dear Ms. Handelsman:

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R.R. 2 Box 369
Rome, N.Y. 13440

June 17, 1993

Pres. Bill Clinton
White House Office
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Clinton:

Your administration has made a commitment to cut unnecessary spending. A good place to start would be the elimination of the Animal Damage Control program.

As a taxpayer, I should not be expected to provide a "zero risk" business environment to the livestock industry.

The ADC costs over \$30 million annually, with additional state contributions of over \$15 million. That is over 45 million dollars for the purpose of destroying wildlife that threatens or competes with livestock. I don't see this as being cost effective. Nor is the use of poisons such as strychnine, sodium cyanide, thallium sulfate and compound 1080 biologically sound.

Compound 1080 does not break down readily in the environment. When an animal ingests 1080 and dies, the poison is passed along to various scavenging larvae, worms, insects, birds and mammals. These too are killed and the poison is once again passed along to the next set of scavengers and so on.

In 1972, President Richard Nixon signed an executive order banning the use of these poisons on federal public land. This ban was completely reversed by rancher-President Ronald Reagan. It is time to eliminate their use once and for all!

The other killing methods of the ADC - poison, traps, snares and guns are indiscriminate and inhumane.

Ranchers should be responsible for protecting their own livestock and should be forced to use nonlethal methods of control.

It is the responsibility of the government to protect our national heritage, not the economic interests of ranchers.

Very truly yours,


Peggy Handelsman

cc: Bruce Babbitt, Sec. of Interior
Kathleen McGinty, Office on Environ. Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE
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July 22, 1993

Ms. Marion Hand
3268 La Avenida De San Marcos
Santa Fe, NM 87505

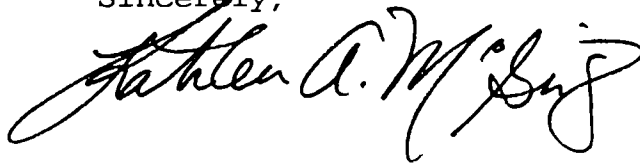
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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3268 La Avenida De San Marcos
Santa Fe, NM 87505
May 24, 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 for ADC Program

Dear Ms. McGinty:

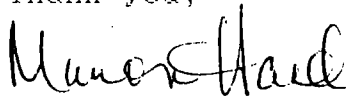
I am writing to urge your office to continue supporting federal funding for the ADC programs.

These ADC benefits to our farmers and ranchers are vital for the survival of our agriculture industry. They help control predators which, in turn, keep the crops growing and the livestock alive.

Many environmentalist extremists are pushing for the elimination of this program, claiming it is wasted money and it is not needed. However, the benefits agriculturists receive from ADC are used to protect their private property much in the same way these people's private property is protected by the police force in every community in the United States. No one has ever thought of trying to eliminate the police force in their community; the police are there to protect the people, their property, and keep the community in order. The ranchers and farmers use ADC benefits to protect their property from predators and insure their livelihood continues. The money is not wasted; it is needed badly.

Please consider how this money affects our agriculture industry and how important its survival and continuation is. I ask you to push for the continuation of federal funding for the ADC.

Thank you,

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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July 22, 1993

Mr. Richard Haldeman
15 W. Compress Road
Artesia, NM 88210

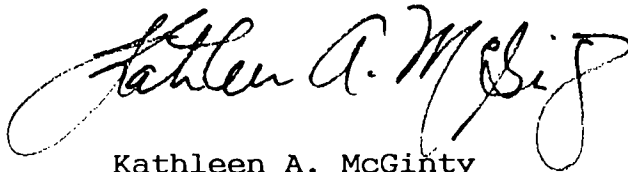
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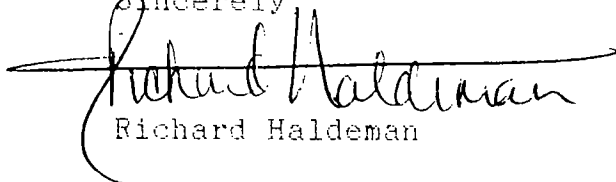
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These programs are a great benefit to our ranchers and farmers. They help control the predators that kill the ranchers baby animals and the birds that destroy the farmers crops. Without this control, ranchers and farmers can be set back severely because of losing their livestock and crops.

I am a construction contractor. Because of the large number of ranchers and farmers in this area, my business depends on their business. If they do not do well, they have no money to build houses or add on to their present homes. This hurts my business, but I am not the only small business owner affected. A large majority of the businesses here in Artesia are ag-related, and if not, many of their customers are in ag-related fields. The whole town suffers when the ranchers and farmers suffer.

The ADC programs can help prevent, or at least lessen, the loss of livestock and crops which wrecks the agriculturists income. They use their income to support our businesses. Please consider small businesses when the ADC issue is discusses and support its continued funding.

Sincerely



Richard Haldeman

THE WHITE HOUSE
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July 22, 1993

Mrs. Lynette Holtz
2803 Lawrence Drive
Austin, TX 78734

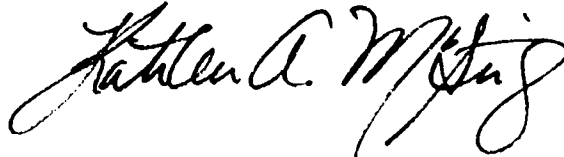
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Lynette Holtz
2803 Laurence Dr.
Austin, TX 78734

3/11/93

Dear Kathleen McInty,

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

The ADC predator control program is neither cost-effective nor biologically sound. In 1992 the ADC spent over 45 million taxpayer dollars to kill wildlife on public lands and to develop poisons (which pollute our lands) and control techniques for wild animals. Most of these techniques are indiscriminate and place threatened and endangered species in jeopardy. At the same time the government spends millions to kill predators, it also funds multi-million dollar programs to protect and reintroduce endangered species.

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

Ranchers need to be responsible for protecting their own livestock and doing so with nonlethal methods. The use of guard-dogs has been proven 99% effective in protecting sheep from predators.

We demand that this outdated tax-supported federal war on wildlife come to an end, and that the government begin to protect our natural heritage, while cutting the deficit at the same time.

P.S. Please act NOW! I look forward to your thoughts on these issues

Sincerely,
Mrs. Lynette Holtz

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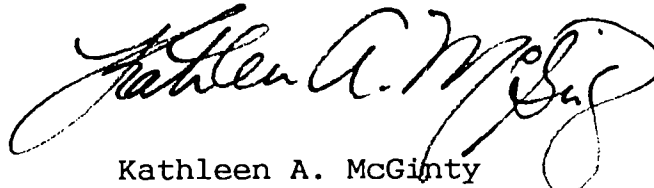
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Director, White House Office on
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Dear Ms. McBINTY

This letter concerns the Animal Damage Control Program. We, the taxpayers, should not be expected to pay for a zero-risk business environment for the public lands livestock industry. The ADC exists as a subsidy, it is serving private interests to the tune of over 45 million dollars a year(1992). These dollars were used last year to indiscriminately kill over 100,000 mammals and more than 1.5 million birds. Do birds affect livestock production? Are cattle more biologically sound than the threatened and endangered species that the public is also paying to support through other programs?

The public land ranching community needs to be responsible for protecting their own livestock while utilizing our land, your land, and they must begin to do so with discriminate non-lethal techniques. This outdated tax-supported war on wildlife must be ended, as it is a travesty to our national heritage. We look forward to your support in helping end this destructive and non-cost-effective program.

Thank you for your time, I look forward to your support in this matter.

Sincerely,

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T. MARSHALL HENDERSON
909 N. SAN FRANCISCO
FLAGSTAFF, AZ 86001

THE WHITE HOUSE
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July 22, 1993

Mr. Michael Horan
P.O. Box 167
Eagle Nest, NM 87718

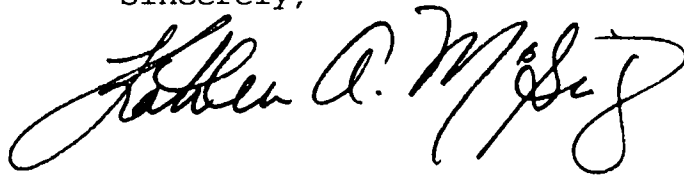
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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P.O. Box 167
Eagle Nest, NM 87718
23 March, 1993

Leon Panetta
Director
OMB
725 17th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Director Panetta,

RED INK USDA APHIS ADC
\$35 MILLION
WILDLIFE EXTERMINATION APPROPRIATION

You can save \$35 million/year by eliminating the archaic USDA APHIS ADC animal damage control livestock predator extermination program which was originally set up in 1915 as the government bounty hunter program.

Ranchers should pay their own business costs to provide an adequate number of herders and livestock guarding animals (e.g., livestock guard dogs, llamas) to protect their own livestock. Taxpayers should not pay ranchers' expenses.

I was especially outraged to read in the Jan. 1993 USDA APHIS ADC DRAFT EIS that taxpayers paid in 1984 for APHIS Denver Wildlife Research Center to test Compound 1080 sodium monofluoroacetate poison on injured golden eagles which had been orphaned, shot or trapped. APHIS obtained the injured eagles from U.S. FWS, who obtained them from wildlife rehabilitation centers.

There are other USDA programs which are beneficial and deserving of increased funding, such as the USDA soy bean inks introductory program to replace hazardous waste petroleum based inks.

Also, I should like to take this opportunity to thank Cynthia Vallina, Indya Kincannon and Linda Mesaros of the OMB/OFPP office for their excellent Dec. 1992 report to Congress on RCRA Implementation which reports department use of recycled paper, etc.

Yours sincerely,



Michael Horan

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 27, 1993

Mr. Robert G. Hanisch
Manager, Market Development
Blount, Inc.
County Road 45 South
P.O. Box 568
Owatonna, MN 55060

Dear Mr. Hanisch:

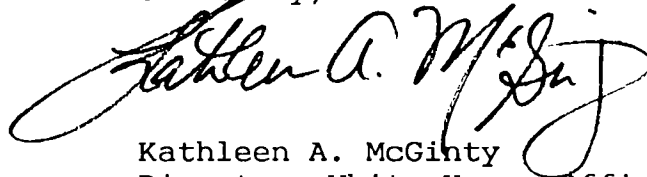
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BLOUNT

Dear Ms. McGinty:

My letter today concerns the adoption of the "Option 9" proposal developed by the Administration's Forest Ecosystem Task Group. This proposal severely restricts the multiple use management of our forests and eliminates the vast majority of our Federal Forest lands and will literally decimate the Pacific Northwest and Northern California as well as the forest products industry nationally.

The forest products industry is centered on the responsible use of one of our only naturally regenerating resources. This industry is one of our nations largest industries and important to the economic well-being of millions of citizens. The final decision must represent a balanced proposal which is based on supported scientific assumptions and a clear statement of the facts.

On behalf of the 600 employees of the Forestry and Industrial Equipment Division of Blount, Inc., I thank you for your attention to this issue and know your close review of the facts will support a solution other than "Option 9". I will look forward to hearing from you concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Blount, Inc.
Forestry/Industrial Equipment Division

Robert G. Hanisch
Manager, Market Development

cc: Representative Elizabeth Furse (D-OR)
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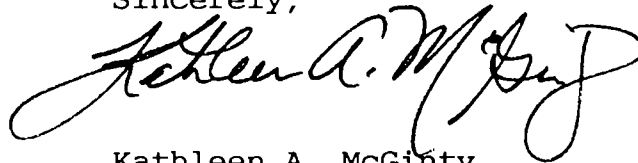
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Director, Office of Environmental Policy
Room 360, Old Executive Office Building
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Dear Ms. McGinty:

As a naturalist and Friend of the Ancient Forests, I am writing to you concerning President Clinton's pledge during the Forest Conference to devise a plan that would be "scientifically sound, ecologically credible, and legally responsible" for the protection of our forests. The timber industry, citing jobs and economy, wants to continue intensive logging in our national old-growth forests. My understanding is that the White House has requested a revised plan, Option 9, that would allow increased logging and weaken forest ecology safeguards.

Doubtless, many jobs will be lost and lumbermills will close when the ancient forests and old-growth forests are gone. Therefore, I contend that logging should now be restricted or prevented in appropriate areas while adjustments can still be made to avoid abrupt losses in timber, jobs, and economy.

The Coastal Redwood (Sequoia sempervirens), which is representative of our ancient forests, is protected along a narrow strip of the California coast, but inland a ways is being logged out rapidly. Drive Highway 36 from Rio Dell to Bridgeville and see for yourself. Numerous trucks hauling redwood logs are hazardous to cars on the road. The demand for the wood of this species is intense because the wood is attractive, strong, and will not decay. Moreover, termites will not eat it. In contrast, there is virtually no demand (except for vases and bric-a-brac) for the wood of the Sierra Redwood (Sequoiadendron giganteum) because its wood is weak and too brittle. Moreover, this species is protected against logging through nearly all of its range, viz., Sequoia National Park, Yosemite National Park, Calaveras Big Trees State Park, and Placer County Big Trees Park. This species was logged intensively in the early 1900's, particularly in the Converse Grove and in a few places outside of the parks, before the realization that the wood is unsatisfactory for lumber.

The old-growth forests of California, Oregon, Washington, etc., contain important lumber trees such as: Ponderosa Pine (Pinus ponderosa), Jeffrey Pine (Pinus jeffreyi), Sugar Pine (Pinus lambertiana), Western White Pine (Pinus monticola), Western Hemlock (Tsuga heterophylla), Mountain Hemlock (Tsuga mertensiana), Sitka Spruce (Picea sitchensis), Red Fir (Abies magnifica), Douglas Fir (Pseudotsuga menziesii), Incense Cedar (Calocedrus decurrens), Western Red Cedar (Thuja plicata), Western Juniper (Juniperus occidentalis), etc.

Another, but related matter, needs attention. Clear-cutting is an abominable practice that should be outlawed. I have seen many naked and unsightly areas resulting from clear-cutting in California, Oregon, and Washington. Clear-cutting on the Olympic Peninsula has almost spoiled the scenery. The Mitsubishi Corporation is presently being reprimanded for extensive clear-cutting in the northern United States. Mitsubishi has developed a voluminous market for particle board and will buy or cut small

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I will close this missive by emphasizing that Option 9, which would allow increased logging and weaken the Endangered Species Act as well as forest ecology safeguards, should be rejected. Please try to devise a better plan based on a scientific ecological and economic study that will provide proper protection for our forests. Please try to stop the clear-cutting.

Sincerely,

Paul R. Harding, Jr.

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Copies to:

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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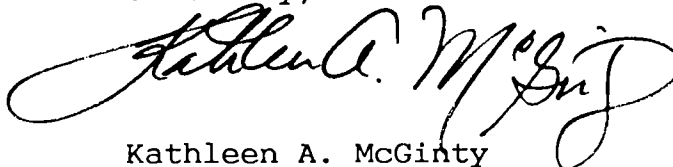
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GILCHRIST BLDG SUPPLY SOUTH, INC

July 12, 1993

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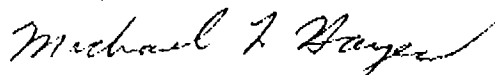
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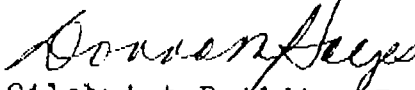
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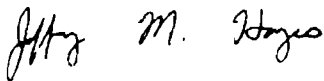
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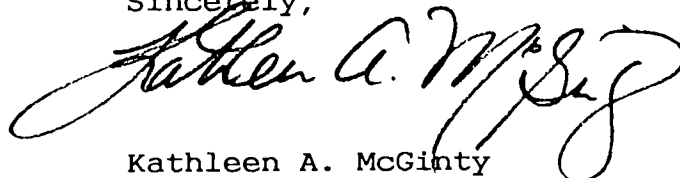
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June 29, 1993

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

Dear Director McGinty:

President Clinton is currently reviewing options on the development of a management plan that will determine the future of the remaining 10 percent of our ancient forests in the Pacific Northwest. We are concerned that the plan being considered is not "scientifically sound, ecologically credible and legally responsible". We would like to send a message to President Clinton urging him to create a plan that maximizes ecosystem protection and halts destructive logging practices in the region.

We want President Clinton to discard Option 9 and to implement a plan that creates permanent ancient forest reserves where all logging will be prohibited. This ban on logging should apply to all old growth, native and native secondary forest. We want to be sure that the plan does not include "sufficiency" language that would allow the administration to bypass the requirements of the National Environmental Protection Act. It is important to stop all imports and exports of unprocessed logs due to the negative economic impact on the country of origin and experimental forestry must be restricted to areas that have already been logged thereby protecting the remaining ancient forests of the Pacific Northwest. In short, we want President Clinton to live up to his promises made at the Forest Conference to protect the vitally important forest resource of this region.

We have collected hundreds of thousands of signatures on petitions calling on President Clinton to halt the destruction of forests worldwide. We will be mailing one of the ~~eight boxes~~ of signed petitions to your office along with a hard copy of this letter. We appreciate your attention to our concerns and would like to have a response sent to:

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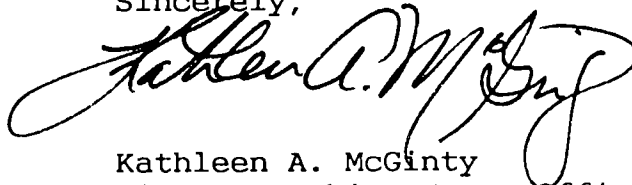
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June 26, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty, Deputy Assistant to the President
Director - Office of Environmental Policy
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Washington, D C 205 01

Dear Ms. McGinty:

President Clinton pledged to develop a Pacific Northwest forest plan that is scientifically sound and follows existing environmental laws. Please relay to President Clinton the following concerns: all remaining ancient forests be protected; the export of raw logs be stopped to save log processing jobs in the United States and export only finished wood products; and economic assistance and investment opportunities be provided to rural fish and timber related communities in the Northwest. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kathleen O. Hall

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July 27, 1993

Ms. Ann Hudes
Mr. Steve Ajay
567 62nd Street
Oakland, CA 94609

Dear Ms. Hudes and Mr. Ajay:

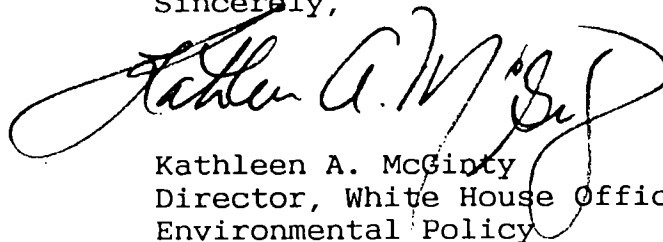
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Dear Ms. McGinty:

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.

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Ann Hudes & Steve Ajay

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 29, 1993

Mr. Craig S. Harrison
Vice Chairman for Conservation
Pacific Seabird Group
4001 North Ninth Street, #1801
Arlington, VA 22203

Dear Mr. Harrison:

Thank you for your letter and the information you enclosed regarding the Pacific Seabird Group's comments on draft environmental impact statement (EIS) for the management of the National Wildlife Refuge System.

As you know, I share President Clinton's commitment to the preservation of the environment. As stewards of our natural heritage, we are responsible for the health and well-being of all species which cohabit our planet.

I appreciate learning your concerns about the management of the National Wildlife Refuge System. I am forwarding your letter to Mr. George Frampton, Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks at the Interior Department, for his review and response.

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July 8, 1993

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Old Executive Office Building, Room 360
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Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Pacific Seabird Group's (PSG) comments on the draft environmental impact statement (EIS) for the management of the National Wildlife Refuge System. As you may know, the previous EIS for the refuge system was issued in 1976, and this plan establishes policies that may persist for decades. PSG suggests that your office review the draft EIS, which was largely prepared by the Bush administration. While PSG supports much of the proposed action, we suggest that the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service refine its proposal. As discussed more fully in our comments to the Service, we raise four issues.

1. FWS Should Evaluate Consolidating the National Wildlife Refuge System and the National Park System into One Independent Agency

In keeping with the Vice President's goal of "reinventing" government, this management plan should be a forum for the White House, Congress and the conservation community to consider reorganizing Interior's conservation lands for the first time since 1940. The Bush administration's refuge division under did not wish to discuss this issue. The President can submit a reorganizational plan to Congress that, if neither chamber objects within 60 days, becomes effective.^{1/} Conservation groups have proposed establishing the National Park System and the National Wildlife Refuge System as autonomous entities outside Interior.

^{1/} 5 U.S.C. §§ 901 et seq. Presidential Reorganization Plans 3 and 4 established NOAA and EPA. 35 Fed. Reg. 15623 (1970).

The political viability of an independent National Park System or National Wildlife Refuge System would be enhanced if the two were merged into a single entity.

**2. Master Planning Should be Converted into
Notice and Comment Rulemakings for Each Refuge**

The master plans that FWS wants to write for each refuge are often ignored once completed. The policies in master plans should become binding rules on refuge managers and future administrations. NOAA has rules for each marine sanctuary and FWS has hunting rules for many refuges. To justify spending tens of millions of conservation dollars on master plans, they should result in rules that cannot be changed by the whim of a political appointee.

3. The Public Should Participate in Setting Land Acquisition Priorities

FWS should notify the public of its priorities for new refuges at least once each year in the Federal Register. FWS should provide access to all information that justifies each proposed purchase. The public should have an opportunity to submit information that might persuade the Service to change its priorities.

4. Building New Visitor Centers Should be De-Emphasized

FWS' proposal to turn wildlife refuges into tourist destinations should be reconsidered. Brick and mortar construction projects to build visitor centers are likely to get more pork barrel funds than wildlife management projects, and in our experience field biologists and refuge managers all too often become janitors to maintain visitor centers. In the end, the wildlife management suffers and wildlife is harmed.

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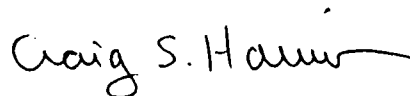
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PSG is an international organization that was founded in 1972 to promote knowledge, study and conservation of Pacific seabirds. PSG draws its members from the entire Pacific Basin, including Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Russia, Mexico and Canada. Among PSG's members are biologists who have research interests in Pacific seabirds, state and federal officials who manage seabird refuges, and individuals with interests in marine conservation. PSG has a vital interest in the refuge system because the vast majority of the breeding sites for seabirds in this nation occur on those lands. Please call me (202-778-2240) if I can provide further information on these important issues.

Sincerely,



Craig S. Harrison

Enclosure

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 19, 1993

Dr. Jay D. Hair
President
National Wildlife Federation
1400 16th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

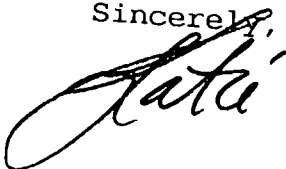
Dear Jay:

Thanks for your note and the information you enclosed regarding follow-up to the President's announcement of his Forest Management Plan. It was good to hear from you.

I appreciate your continued interest and efforts in working toward the resolution of this very important matter. We still have much work ahead.

Again, thanks for sharing this information with me.

Sincerely,



Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

For your information . . .

July 2, 1993

Katie:

Thanks for your telephone call last night. Enclosed is the information I promised to send regarding NWF's follow-up on the President's Ancient Forest decision.

Again, congratulations on a job well done under the most difficult of circumstances.

I hope you will get some time for relaxation over the July 4th weekend. You deserve it!

Best personal regards,



Jay D. Hair
President

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 29, 1993

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The American Society of
Mechanical Engineers
Suite 906
1828 L Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

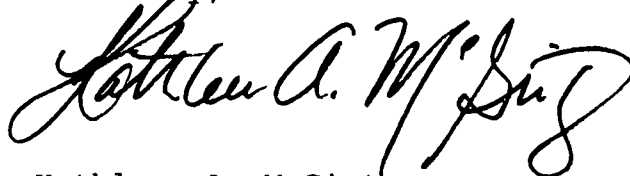
Dear Dr. Hall:

Thank you for your letter and the copy of Hazardous Waste Incineration and brochure you enclosed. It was good to hear from you.

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. I appreciate learning about your work on the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Research Committee on Industrial and Municipal Waste in drafting this document on hazardous waste disposal practices. I share your interest in studying the most reliable scientific information available in order to determine sound incineration practices. Rest assured that this Administration will continue in its efforts in this regard.

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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July 2, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
360 Old Executive Office Building
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I am writing on behalf of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Research Committee on Industrial and Municipal Waste. As requested by the Committee's members, I have enclosed a copy of their Resource Document on *Hazardous Waste Incineration* and a summary brochure based upon that report. This Resource Document was prepared in 1988 under a committee-managed project that involved participation by representatives of- and ultimate endorsement by- the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, and the Air Pollution Control Association (now known as the Air and Waste Management Association).

The Committee's membership roster includes seventeen people from U.S. industry, three from various agencies of the Federal Government, and three from universities. An additional 71 associate members also participate in the Committee's work. The Committee often takes positions on important public policy issues and is regularly called upon to assist in reviewing and planning federal agency programs.

The document was developed by the Committee in response to a perceived need for an independent, reliable, and authoritative source of technical information on a topic of considerable interest to the public and to various governmental organizations. It has since climbed to the very top of the Society's all-time best seller publication list.

In view of your critical role in an Administration that is dedicated to sound environmental management, we expect that you will find the document very helpful.

The members of this Committee and all other units of the Society stand ready to assist you and the members of the Clinton Administration in any way that might be appropriate. I have asked Dr. Howard E. Clark, ASME's Director of Research, to call in a few weeks and arrange a briefing for you and your staff regarding the contents of that document -- after you have had an opportunity to review it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carl W. Hall".

Carl W. Hall, Ph.D.
Vice President, Research

Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 6, 1993

Ms. Joan Hobin
Corporate Secretary
Advanced Physics Corporation
680 University Tower
4199 Campus Drive
Irvine, CA 92715

Dear Ms. Hobin:

Thank you for contacting my office again. I appreciate hearing from you.

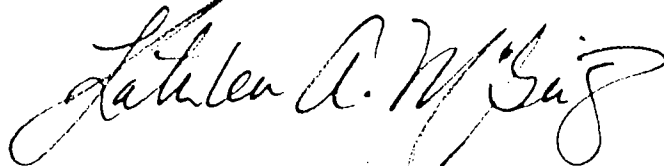
I am sorry that you believe my previous correspondence was inadequate. I can assure you that every one of the letters I receive is read thoroughly by myself or a staff member. In order to respond in a timely manner, we often send responses that indicate materials were received and that we appreciate the information enclosed or thoughts expressed. If the original letter does not request specific action or referrals, it is impossible for my staff of 9 to provide detailed responses at the time, although it is most likely that we will use the materials sent in future follow up actions.

With regard to your particular concerns, my staff has read and kept on file Dr. Seaborg's White Paper on New Fusion Energy Option: Nonradioactive Fuel Fusion. As you may know, I have met on several occasions with supporters of Dr. Seaborg and appreciate all his pioneering work.

However, as I'm sure you can understand, my staff of 9 does not have the technical expertise to comment on Dr. Seaborg's work. Therefore, I have asked the Department of Energy to review the White Paper as well.

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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May 17, 1993

Ms. Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, Office on Environmental Policy
The White House
Washington D.C. 20515

Dear Ms. McGinty:

We at Advanced Physics Corporation are appalled at the lack of homework done by your staff in regards to the letter of February 17, 1993 by Dr. Glenn T. Seaborg. Certainly Dr. Seaborg, Head of the Atomic Energy Commission under three presidents, Nobel Laureate, Director of Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory and, without question, the most important U.S. scientist alive today, deserves something more than a FORM letter. See attached correspondence of May 5, 1993.

*Harry
Hamlin
info*

Perhaps a second response is in order.

Yours truly,
Advanced Physics Corporation by



Joan B. Hobin
Corporate Secretary

cc: Senator Diane Feinstein
Senator Barbara Boxer
Congressman Christopher Cox

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Honorable
Bill Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

February 17, 1993

Dear Mr. President:

I am taking the liberty of enclosing with this letter, for your personal attention, the *White Paper on New Fusion Energy Option: Nonradioactive Fuel Fusion*.

Since 1982, I have actively followed, encouraged and supported — as much as my time and other obligations allowed — this pioneering work of a small group of scientists carried out independently on the East and West Coasts of the US. The progress made within the past years makes it "an idea whose time has come." Although not without risk, a successful completion of the final (5th) stage of this research (which can be decided only with laboratory tests, not by computations) could have a major impact on the national economy, the environment, oil independence and non-proliferation efforts. Most (91%) of this research was privately funded. It is felt that this final stage of research ought to be funded by the government.

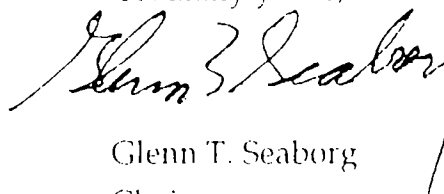
In early April, scientific and environmental spokesmen for this project will testify before George Brown's House Committee on Science, Space and Technology and Tom Bevill's Subcommittee on Energy and Water Appropriations.

I commend this enthusiastic and deserving group of forward-thinking Americans and hope you can receive them during this period.

Thank you very much.

With best wishes for a successful first term,

Cordially yours,



Glenn T. Seaborg
Chairman

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July 7, 1993

Ms. Victoria Hassrick
7090 Cultrus Bay Road
Clinton, WA 96236

Dear Ms. Hassrick:

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
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Victoria & Matthew Hassrick
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(206) 321-1022 Fax (206) 321-0540

June 22, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
Fax: 202/456 2710

Dear Ms. McGinty:

Please just say NO to Option Number Nine. We need a plan

that will permanently protect the remaining ancient forest reserves (which means no logging in those reserves). The ancient forests are our national heritage, and shouldn't be used to benefit special interest groups such as the timber industry.

The plan should be based on sound scientific practices (after all why did President Clinton bother to put together the Ecosystem Management Assessment Team). Furthermore the President's plan must obey the existing environmental laws and no "sufficiency" language should be used anywhere in the proposal.

Hopefully President Clinton's promise to devise a forest plan that is "scientifically sound, ecologically credible, and legally responsible," isn't just lip service to the American people who are deeply concerned about the state of our National Forests. Please help the President to see the light and not to cave into the demands of the timber industry.

We live in the Northwest and have seen first hand the wholesale destruction of OUR forests. We used to vacation on the Olympic peninsula, but no longer do so because of the clearcutting that has taken place in those National Forests.

Please help us to save the remaining 10% of OUR ancient forests before they are all cut down and valuable ecosystems become extinct. Thank you!!!

Sincerely,


Victoria Hassrick

July 7, 1993

Ms. Tanya Henrich
12 Phlox Way
Chico, CA 95926

Dear Ms. Henrich:

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Sincerely,

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

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To: Ms. Katie McGinty, Director, Office of
Environmental Policy

From: Tanya Henrich, 12 Phlox Way, Chico, CA 95926

Subject: Northwest Ancient Forests

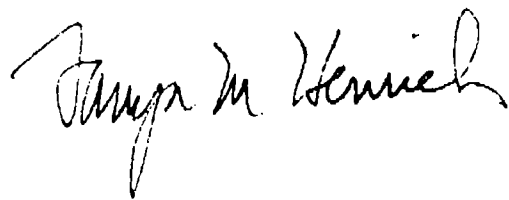
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Please urge President Clinton to stick to his original promise to develop a forest plan that is SCIENTIFICALLY SOUND, ECOLOGICALLY CREDIBLE and LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE.

Specifically:

- * Discard Option Number 9
- * Create a plan that protects permanently ancient forest reserves, not reserves in which logging is permitted
- * The Plan must obey existing environmental laws; no "sufficiency" language
- * The President must live up to the promises he made at the Forest Conference.

Thank you.

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July 7, 1993

Mr. Edward M. Henderson, Jr.
407 Smith Street
Seattle, WA 98109

Dear Mr. Henderson:

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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Sincerely,

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

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EDWARD MCCRADY HENDERSON, JR.

407 SMITH STREET

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98109

June 22, 1993

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

RE: Northwest Ancient Forest Plan

Dear Ms McGinty,

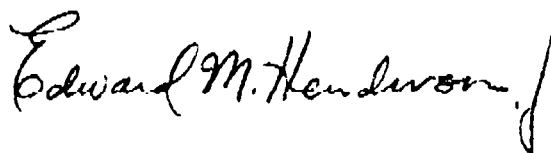
I was very encouraged when President Clinton convened the "Forest Summit" in Portland to address the Ancient Forest/timber supply controversy here in the Pacific Northwest.

Now, however, I am distressed to hear that the Administration is considering a so called Option 9 which would set aside existing environmental laws and the best available scientific studies in order to maintain a higher level of timber harvest. I find that totally unacceptable!

In your recommendations to President Clinton I urge you to adhere to the following criteria:

- ▶ Discard Option 9
- ▶ Any plan submitted must obey all existing environmental laws; there must not be any "sufficiency" language in the President's proposal.
- ▶ The option selected must attain a "very high" probability of maintaining the ancient forest ecosystem and the viability of fish and wildlife species dependent on that ecosystem. The option selected should be based upon the best available scientific evidence that it will attain the desired very high probability.
- ▶ The plan which is selected must be comprehensive and include the ancient forest east of the Cascade Mountains in Washington, Oregon and Northern California.
- ▶ The recommended plan should create permanent ancient forest reserves in which no logging is permitted. These reserves must be large enough to insure the support of viable ecosystems.
- ▶ Lastly the timber dependent communities which are impacted by the loss of timber harvest must receive assistance to facilitate the transition to more balance, sustainable economies.

Thank You for your consideration,
Sincerely,



cc: Senator Patty Murray
Representative Jim McDermott

July 7, 1993

Ms. Shirley Haley
Top Shots
1834-B Westview
Mount Vernon, WA 98273

Dear Ms. Haley:

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

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Co. Deputy Ass'to Pres.	Co. Top Shots	
Dept. Environmental Policy	Phone # 206-422-6565	
Fax # 202/456-2710	Fax # 206-755-0276	

June 23, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty:
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
202/456-6225 (phone) 202/456-2710 (fax)

Dear Ms. Katie McGinty:

Please tell the President that we support his scientific approach to breaking the forest gridlock, and we cannot risk returning to the failed policies of the past, which we fear are represented by the preferred "Option Number Nine."

Please give the President the following message:

DISCARD OPTION NUMBER NINE.

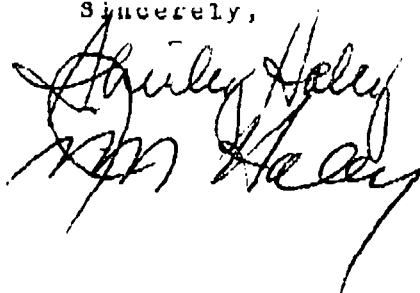
WE WANT A PLAN THAT CREATES PERMANENT ANCIENT FOREST RESERVES, NOT RESERVES IN WHICH LOGGING IS PERMITTED.

THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN MUST OBEY EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS; THERE SHOULD BE NO "SUFFICIENCY" LANGUAGE IN THE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSAL

WE WANT PRESIDENT CLINTON TO LIVE UP TO THE PROMISES HE MADE AT THE FOREST CONFERENCE.

WE MUST PROTECT THE LAST 10% OF NORTHWEST ANCIENT FOREST.

Sincerely,



July 7, 1993

Mr. A Keith Hanzel
Attorney at Law
814 Degree of Honor Building
Saint Paul, MN 55101

Dear Mr. Hanzel:

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

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A. Keith Hanzel

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June 23, 1993

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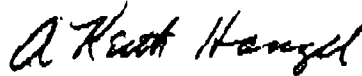
Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
(202) 456-2710

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I am writing to express my concern for the possibility that option no. 9 may be recommended to the president as a plan for northwest forests.

When environmentalists supported the Clinton/Gore ticket we knew, and so did the president, what had to be done in reforming our national forest plan. No one said it would be easy, but it is time to stand up to the timber lobby. The lumber interests must not dominate our national forest policy.

Yours very truly,



A. Keith Hanzel

AKH/kg

July 7, 1993

Ms. Ann Hay
12642 S.W. Edgecliff Road
Portland, OR 97219

Dear Ms. Hay:

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

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Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me.

Sincerely,

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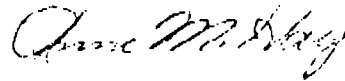
Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Asst. to President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building
Room 360
Washington, D.C. 20501
Fax: 202-456-2710

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I would like to urge you to disregard Option #9 as an alternative under consideration for dealing with the forests in the Pacific Northwest. It is essential to preserve as permanent the remnants of ancient forest which now exist as complete eco-systems. There should be no "sufficiency" language in the alternative chosen. In addition, the conservation of these forests must obey present environmental laws, and must include all smaller isolated patches of forest which provide corridors for flora and fauna between larger areas.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Anne Hay
12642 SW Edgecliff Rd.
Portland, OR. 97219

July 7, 1993

Mr. Doug Heiken
909 W. 10th Avenue
Eugene, OR 97402

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Sincerely,

Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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VIA FAX (202) 456-2710

DOUGLAS O. HEIKEN
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(503) 683-1315

24 June 1993

Katy McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
White House

Subject: Forest Issues-- Management for High Viability

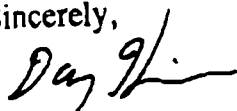
Dear Ms. McGinty:

The law requires that the Forest Service manage the National Forests in order to "... maintain viable populations of existing native vertebrate species ..." 36 CFR § 219.27(a)(6). I implore you to interpret this requirement in a reasonable manner. It does not say "maintain a chance of viability." It says "maintain viable populations". Viable! Not maybe viable.

You see, HIGH viability management is the only defensible way to go.

Thanks for listening to my two cents worth.

Sincerely,



Doug Heiken

July 7, 1993

Ms. Lynn Herbert
Manager
Herbert Lumber Co.
P.O. Box 7
Riddle, OR 97469

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RIDDLE, OREGON • 97469

June 29, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
The White House
Office of Environmental Policy
360 Old Executive Office Building
Washington, DC 20503
FAX 202-456-2710

Dear Ms. McGinty:

Option 9 is not the solution to forest management. The Administration must be willing to recommence negotiations to develop a balanced proposal to solve the forest management crisis.

Option 9 will cost our industry between 67,000 and 85,000 jobs. At the same time it abandons traditional sound forestry principles and adopts a "new perspectives" approach or "voodoo" approach to forestry.

None of the plans (Options 1-10) meet the goal of saving the people of the forest products industry, nor can we conclude that the plans will protect species.

Option 9 must be rejected.

Sincerely,



Lynn Herbert
Manager

July 7, 1993

Mr. R. H. Hudson
President
Korn Industries, Inc.
P.O. Box 100
Sumter, SC 29151

Dear Mr. Hudson:

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SUMTER, SOUTH CAROLINA, 29151

DIVISIONS

SUMTER HARDWOOD CO.

SUMTER CABINET CO.

June 29, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
The White House Office of Environmental Policy
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ms. McGinty:

We are already in a wood supply crisis in this country. The administration's support of a proposal to reduce harvest levels on federal forestlands in the Pacific Northwest by 77% will create chaos in wood-related industries.

Please reconsider a balanced proposal to the management of federal forestland. Timber is a renewable resource. Trees do grow back.

Yours truly,

R. H. Hudson
President

July 7, 1993

Mr. CHristopher Hoskins
5929 Woodfield Estates
Alexandria, VA 22310

Dear Mr. Hoskins:

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5929 WOODFIELD ESTATE VIL
ALEXANDRIA, VA. 22310

MS. KATE MCGINTY:

DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY
FAX # 202/456-2710

DEAR MS. MCGINTY:

I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS MY
CONCERN FOR OUR ENDANGERED NATIONAL FORESTS, AND
TO ASK PRESIDENT CLINTON TO DO THE FOLLOWING:

- DISCARD OPTION NUMBER NINE.
- PROCEED WITH A PLAN THAT CREATES PERMANENT
ANCIENT FOREST RESERVES, NOT RESERVES IN
WHICH LOGGING IS PERMITTED.
- PROCEED WITH A PLAN THAT OBEYS EXISTING
ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS WITHOUT COMPROMISE.
- LIVE UP TO THE PROMISES HE MADE AT THE
FOREST CONFERENCE.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME. I AM SURE
THAT PRESIDENT CLINTON AND VICE PRESIDENT GORE
ARE AWARE THAT A GREAT DEAL OF THEIR SUPPORT
EXTENDS FROM THE NATION'S ENVIRONMENTALLY-MINDED
POPULATION. THANKS AGAIN, AND HERE'S TO FUTURE
GENERATIONS...

SINCERELY,

Chris Hori

July 7, 1993

Mr. David Haenke
Route 1, Box 20
Newburg, MO 65550

Dear Mr. Haenke:

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Ms. Katy McGinty
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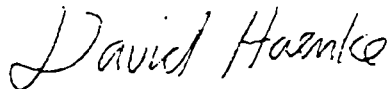
Dear Ms. McGinty,

I am writing to urge you to ask President Clinton to do everything possible to save our remaining ancient forests, and not give in to pressure from the timber industry to compromise those precious forests. Related to the Northwest Forest Summit, I understand that a number of options are being presented to the President, one of these being "option number nine", supported by the timber industry, which maximizes logging of ancient forests, minimizes ecosystem management, and ignores environmental laws. I hope that you and the President will oppose this and any other options like it. Further, I hope that you will urge the President to:

- create permanent ancient forest reserves where logging is not permitted;
- support proposals regarding ancient forests that adhere to existing environmental laws, and do not contain "sufficiency" language;
- live up to promises made at the Northwest Forest Conference.

Thank you for your time.

Yours,



David Haenke
Rt.1, Box 20
Newburg, MO 65550

July 7, 1993

Ms. Emile Holeman
Mr. Bill Hansell
Glann Youngman
Umatilla County Board
of Commissioners
216 S.E. Fourth Street
Pendleton, OR 97801

Dear Sirs and Madam:

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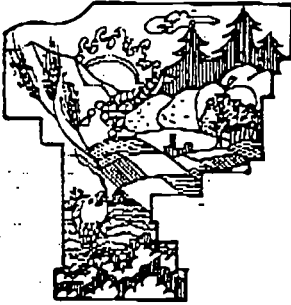
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June 23, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Asst. to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
FAX# 202-456-2710

Dear Ms. McGinty

We were pleased with President Clinton's efforts to address the forest issues of the Pacific Northwest.

It is our understanding that a proposed resolution is soon to be released.

We would respectfully urge the administration to adopt a management plan that would take into account the viability and health of forest dependent communities.

We would hope that sufficiency language be included to permit creative solutions.

There is so much at stake for all of us who live and work here. Please don't forget the "people" part of the equation

Very Truly Yours

Emile M. Holeman
Emile Holeman, Chairman

Bill Hansell
Bill Hansell, Commissioner

Glenn Youngman
Glenn Youngman, Commissioner

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To	MS Katie McGinty	From	Umatilla Co Commissioners
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Dept	Office Environmental	Phone #	(503) 276-7111
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July 7, 1993

Mr. Steve Herren
Vice President
Harris Lumber & Hardware, Inc.
1515 E. FM 700
Big Spring, Texas 79720

Dear Mr. Herren:

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 HARRIS LUMBER & HARDWARE, INC.

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PHONE (915) 267-8206

BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720

July 2, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
White House Office of Environmental Policy

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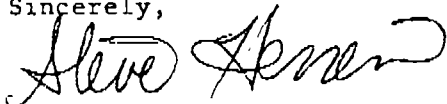
Dear Ms. McGinty:

I own, HARRIS LUMBER & HARDWARE, INC., which employs 15 employees in Big Spring, Texas. I am writing to you out of a serious concern for myself, my employees and my customers. Today we are in desperate need of an adequate sustainable timber supply. We all saw the impact of an artificially constrained timber supply with the skyrocketing lumber prices this past spring. If what I have heard about the administration's proposed solution to the timber crisis is correct, those prices were but a harbinger of what will surely come.

It is my understanding that the President will shortly recommend the adoption of "Option 9" which would reduce harvest levels on federal forest lands in the affected region to an average 1.2 billion board feet. This is down from the historic level of 5.2 billion board feet. In addition it would cost over 85,000 direct and indirect jobs in the region as well as tens of thousands more construction jobs throughout the United States and dramatically affect lumber prices risking the fragile recovery of the nation's economy.

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

Sincerely,



Steve Herren
Vice President

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July 7, 1993

Howrey Lumber Co.
P.O. Drawer 230
Canutillo, TX 79835

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CANUTILLO, TEXAS

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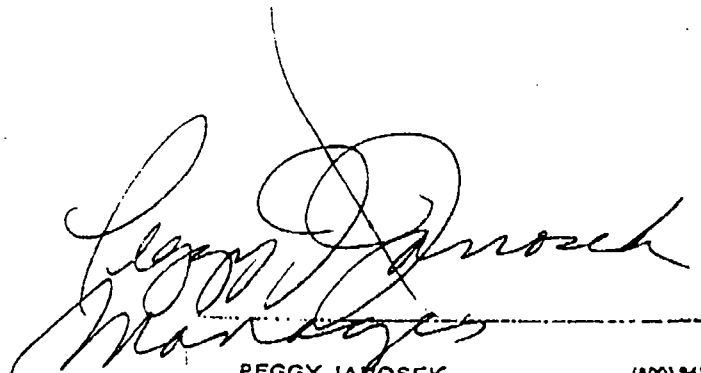
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ATTENTION:

Ms Katie McBinty

FROM:

Howrey Lumber Co
Peggy JanosekHello!We strongly are in opposition
to Option 9OUR FAX # IS (915) 877-2451.PLEASE CALL US AT (915) 877-2388.PEGGY JANOSEK
SALES MANAGER(800) 943-0233
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HOWREY LUMBER COMPANY

6732 THIRD STREET
P. O. DRAWER 230
CANUTILLO, TEXAS

July 7, 1993

Ms. Marilyn F. Hayman
President
CRZLR, Inc.
P.O. Box 16
Malden Rock, WI 54750

Dear Ms. Hayman:

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**Citizens for Responsible Zoning and Landowner Rights, Inc.
CRZLR, Inc.**

P.O. Box 16 Maiden Rock WI 54750 Tel/FAX 715-448-3213

June 29, 1993

The Honorable Bill Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
Washington DC 20500

Dear Mr. Clinton:

The people of the Northwest TRUSTED you. They BELIEVED you would help them.

Now, it appears, you may be ready to support OPTION 9, a plan which will further deepen the economic hardships endured by these people.

Mr. Clinton, we believe you are being misled and misadvised on this, and other resource issues. We're sure you understand fully this is not a question of preserving anything; this is a question of locking up everything.

You cannot build an economy by destroying its basic resource industries. You cannot build a constituency, by destroying the livelihoods of tens of thousands of people. The results of this decision will reverberate across the nation, further weakening our fragile economy.

People are important. *They* are what built this great country, not the bugs and the slugs some would have you protect. The American people are willing to help; the environment has been radically improved in the past two decades. We do not need draconian regulations, unless the final aim is to totally control the people.

President Clinton, property owners and users of resources all over this land are watching how you respond to this issue. We hope you will reject this "Sky is falling" mentality and opt for reasonable timber management proposals.

Very truly



Marilyn F. Hayman, President

Board of Directors:

Jack E. Brown
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Frederick Richter

July 7, 1993

Mr. Bob Hazzed
Hassell and Hughes Lumber Co., Inc.
P.O. Box 68
Collinwood, TN 38450

Dear Mr. Hazzed:

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HASSELL AND HUGHES LUMBER CO., INC.

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COLLINWOOD, TN 38460

PHONE: 615-724-9191 FAX: 615-724-4714

☐ URGENT☐ PLEASE RESPOND BY _____☐ NO REPLY NECESSARY

TO: All Persons Associated
with Option #9

DATE: 6-30-93

SUBJECT:

MESSAGE

FOLD
➤Please Kill Option #9FOLD
➤

SIGNED:

Bab Haggard

REPLY:

SIGNED:

DATE:

July 7, 1993

Mr. Dan Hass
Veneer Log Manager
Meister Log and Lumber Company
1440 Laukant St.
P.O. Box 308
Reedsburg, WI 53959-0308

Dear Mr. Hass:

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July 1, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
The White House Office of Environmental Policy
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms McGinty:

This fax is to strongly state our opposition to your administration adopting Option 9 regarding timber harvesting on our National Forests. We believe Option 9 will have a very negative effect on labor, housing and the general economy. These are the peoples resources you are locking up for the benefit of a small minority, the environmental elitists. By adopting Option 9 you will:

- 1) Reduce the forest resources from this area available to the public by almost 80%.
- 2) Eliminate 85,000 jobs in the Pacific Northwest, as well as many others nationally.
- 3) Dramatically raise the price of homes, at the expense mostly of the lower and middle class.
- 4) Induce a strong negative impact on the overall economy.

Please do not cave into the radical environmental groups. Help keep our natural resources open to the multiple use, and benefit, of our general public.

Thank you.

MEISTER LOG AND LUMBER COMPANY

Dan Hass
Veneer Log Manager