

Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

March 12, 2010

The Honorable Jim Costa  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Energy and Minerals  
1626 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Costa,

We write to ask for a timely rescheduling of the Energy and Mineral Resources FY2011 Budget hearing that was scheduled for March 4, 2010 and canceled. Oversight of the federal budget is one of the primary responsibilities of our Committee and one of our critical congressional duties. Now more than a week after the cancellation, there is no indication yet as to when or if this hearing will be rescheduled.

The Administration's budget establishes a national energy policy that will greatly affect energy costs for American families and businesses and American energy production. The American people expect Congress to conduct thorough oversight of the federal budget. Since it has been more than two years since our last budget hearing this hearing is crucially important for our ability to oversee the federal budget process.

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Sincerely,



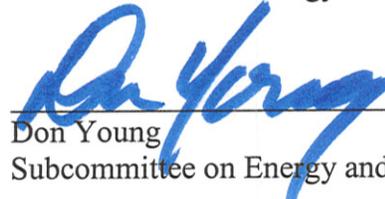
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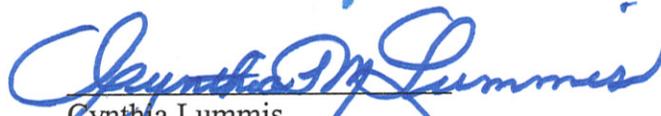
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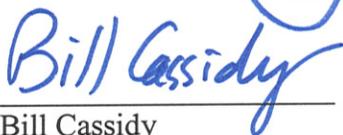
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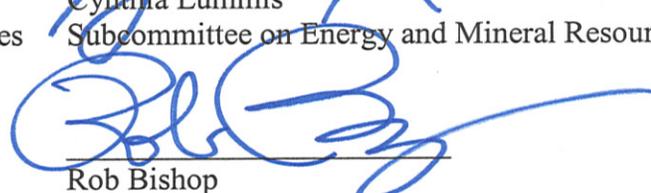
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