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Washington, D.C. 20515

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Mr. Ed Dunaway
President, Local 6214
United Steelworkers of America
2089 Listravia Avenue
Morgantown, West Virginia 26505

Dear Mr. Dunaway:

Thank you very much for your telegram of January 26. I am always pleased to hear from you and members of your fine organization.

Needless to say, I, too, am extremely concerned with the closing of Rockwell International plants in Morgantown and Reedsville because of the gas shortage. I know how important this is to so many.

As you no doubt know, yesterday we did pass an emergency energy bill here in the House; and it was signed into law. I will continue doing all I can to be helpful.

Assuring you and yours of my continued efforts and with kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

HARLEY O. STAGGERS

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DEAR SENATOR RANDOLPH AS OUR REPRESENTATIVE WE THE MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STEEL WORKERS LOCAL UNION 6214 WOULD LIKE YOU TO REVIEW THE CLOSING OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL PLANTS IN MORGANTOWN AND REEDSVILLE WEST VIRGINIA FOR LACK OF GAS. THE GAS IS SUPPLIED BY THE HOPE NATIONAL GAS COMPANY A PART OF CONSOLIDATED GAS SUPPLY CORPORATION. WE FEEL THIS ACTION IS UNJUSTIFIED. ROCKWELL OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS, HAS CONVERTED ITS FOUNDRY FROM GAS FURNACES TO ELECTRIC INDUCTION FURNACES FOR MELTING METAL. THEY ALSO USE INDUCTION HEATING IN A NEW HOLLOW FORGING PROCESS. THEY HAVE PROVIDED ALTERNATE SOURCES OF FUEL FOR ITS PLATING PROCESS BOILERS AND MOST RECENTLY WITHIN THE LAST 10 DAYS HAVE PUT ON STEAM A LARGE COAL FIRED BOILER TO HEAT OVER 100000 SQUARE FEET OF ITS BUILDINGS ONLY 6 PERCENT OF ITS GAS USAGE OR 20000 CUBIC FEET PER DAY IS USED IN HEATING CRUCIBLES AND DYES IN THE MANUFACTURING PROCESS MOST OF THIS PROCESS HEAT IS RADIATED AND LESSENS THE GAS REQUIRED FOR BUILDING HEAT THE PLANTS HAVE BEEN CLOSED SINCE MIDNIGHT JANUARY 17 WHICH IS AFFECTING EMPLOYMENT OF APPROXIMATELY 1000 EMPLOYEES WE ASK YOU HELP IN THIS MATTER
RESPECTFULLY

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