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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

February 28, 1974

Mr. Claude R. Collins
P. O. Box 764
Lewisburg, West Virginia 24901

Dear Mr. Collins:

Thank you very much for your communication of recent date.
I appreciate your writing me and want to assure you of my
desire to be of service whenever possible.

It is good to have the benefit of your comments with refer-
ence to the rollback on the price of fuel.

As you no doubt know, yesterday the House passed the Conference
Report to accompany S. 2589, the Emergency Energy Act, which
does contain this proposal.

Again, I want to thank you for writing me. I agree with your
sentiments and will certainly continue doing all I can to be
helpful.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

HARLEY O. STAGGERS

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P. O. Box 764
Lewisburg, West Virginia 24901
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The Honorable Harley O. Staggers
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Staggers:

The truckers are right! The just course is to roll back the prices of fuel. Why should the oil industry ripoff be countered with a subsidy to the truckers, which will only escalate the price of everything which must be transported? In essence, this is only a subsidy to the oil companies at public expense.

Since this "bought" administration will do nothing to protect the people, Congress is the only hope left to them. The rightful owners of the natural resources of this country are the people, not an industry. If the companies cannot administer these resources for the common good of all and for a fair and reasonable profit, then a bill for nationalization of the petroleum industry is in order. If there must be socialism, let it be for the people, not for corporations at the expense of the people.

I believe this most crucial issue requires immediate and firm action. I should be interested in knowing your judgment in this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Claude R. Collins