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VICE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER

JAN 29 1974

The Honorable Harley O. Staggers
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Congressman Staggers:

In Mr. Wright's absence I should like to
acknowledge and thank you for your letter of January 25.

It will have Mr. Wright's attention promptly
upon his return.

I know he would want me to send you his very
best wishes.

Sincerely,

Dorothy C. Dey

(Mrs.) Dorothy C. Dey
Administrative Assistant

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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce
Room 2125, Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

January 25, 1974

Mr. E. Truman Wright
President and Managing Director
The Greenbrier
White Sulphur Springs
West Virginia 24986

Dear Truman:

Thank you very much for your recent letter following our telephone conversation.

It was good to have the report following the national convention of the American Hotel Association, and as I told you by phone, I do want to be helpful in any way possible.

Truman, we are hoping to pass a bill some time next week which will eliminate some of the inequities which have been existing. I agree with you under the circumstances, and do not believe gasoline stations should be closed on the weekend. We are hoping to get further information on this, and I feel something favorable must and can be worked out.

Again thanking you, and with best wishes and kind personal regards to you and yours, I am

Sincerely yours,

HARLEY O. STAGGERS



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December 27, 1973

White Sulphur's 195 Year

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The Honorable Harley O. Staggers
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Harley Staggers:

Thank you very much indeed for accepting my
phone call from Hawaii last month.

We had an interesting and constructive convention, and I am certain that our Washington office has acquainted you with the resolutions adopted at that convention urging all hotel and motel operators in our country and through them our guests to conserve energy in every possible way.

As the Congress considers and debates any general legislation controlling the distribution and sale of gasoline I hope that you will please keep in mind the more than 3,000 persons who are dependent on the success of The Greenbrier for their livelihood.

On an annual basis, 82% of our business is made up of those persons attending business conferences. Of these, 72 1/2% have, in the past, travelled by private automobile. Because of the usual convention scheduling in the early part of the week, or the end of the week, the principal days of arrival and departure at The Greenbrier are Sundays and Wednesdays. If there is legislation compelling gasoline stations to close on Sundays it will be utterly chaotic to attempt to reschedule meetings in order that people will not have to travel on Sunday.

Could there be some consideration given to having gasoline stations on the Interstate Highways open so that out-of-state registrants (which could be readily determined by car registration and driver's license) could secure the necessary fuel for vital business travel?

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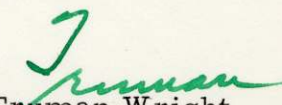
We have already suffered a few cancellations because of "the energy crisis" and we expect there will be more.

At best it will be a most difficult and frustrating year, but this of course we will handle to the best of our ability. It will be absolutely disastrous, however, if there is legislation requiring gasoline stations to remain closed over weekends and/or stringent rationing regulations.

I think it is safe to say that this same condition would prevail at most any remote resort and I hope that you and others in the House and the Senate will keep such serious things in mind as you prepare any regulations which may appear to be necessary during 1974.

You have our warmest best wishes for good health and happiness in the New Year.

Sincerely,


E. Truman Wright

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November 29, 1973

Mr. Truman Wright

THE GREENBRIER HOTEL

White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia

Called from Hilo, Hawaii, and talked with HOS. He is there
attending a national convention of the American Hotel Association.

Advised HOS that 82 per cent of the Greenbrier's business is from
conventions and business meetings. Of that figure 75 per cent of the
people arrive by car. The pattern has always been to arrive and depart
on Wednesdays and Sundays. With no Sunday gasoline sales, this is, of
course, going to hurt things.

Piedmont and American advise there will be no charter flights, as
well as Southern Airways (no word yet from United). No special trains
at any time will be run by Amtrak.

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Requested HOS support of equal fuel allocation to all sectors of the
economy in the Emergency Energy bill presently being considered by the
Committee. (Goldwater-Rooney Amendment to H.R. 11450)