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

December 17, 1973

Mr. E. M. Whiting  
Jefferson County Motors, Inc.  
100 South West Street  
Charles Town, West Virginia 25414

Dear Mr. Whiting:

Thank you very much for your letter of recent date. I appreciate your taking the time to write me and note with much interest your comments relative to our present "energy crisis."

It is good to have the benefit of your views, and I certainly share your concern with the effect of this crisis on our Nation's economic situation. Many others have also expressed similar feelings.

As you no doubt know, the House did pass the "Energy Emergency Act" last week, and the measure will be considered by a House-Senate Conference Committee this week. Needless to say, we have tried to provide the most equitable legislation for the benefit for all.

Again, thanking you for writing and with kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

HARLEY O. STAGGERS



# JEFFERSON COUNTY MOTORS, INC.

100 South West Street  
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December 7, 1973

Honorable Harley O. Staggers  
Member of Congress  
Washington, D. C.

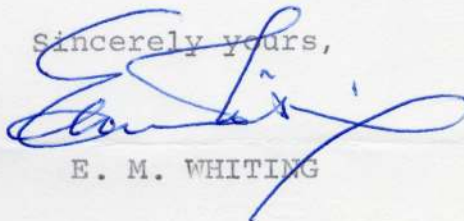
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Dear Mr. Staggers:

As you can see I am in the automobile business. Until mid November everything was fine. Then came the :energy: crisis. Sales have fallen to a long way and of couse all my employees are concerned and wonder about the future. They tell me that those prospects they talk to are reluctant to comit themselves because of future uncertainties. In our case the fuel shortage is the most obvious drawback since it effects not only the automobile business but everything else. But the consensus is that the public we talk to is afraid of what the White House is going to drop on us next. These oil shortages and high prices, the salesmen say, seem to result from the alleged contribution of 4 to 5 million dollars for the Committee to Re-Elect Mr. Nixon. Some form of Congessional Investigation to lay the truth before the public is absolutely required before our peoplle will have any confidence in our economic future. If congress does not do something, the feeling seems to be that the rolling stone will gather the moss of recession and even on into a depression. You and I remember the 30's and we dont want that again.

Thank you for reading this.

Sincerely yours,

  
E. M. WHITING