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The Honorable Harley O. Staggers
Room 2366, Rayburn House Office Bldg.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Representative Staggers:

Any rollback of crude price will drastically reduce oil well drilling and crude oil production in your State. In fact, exploration and drilling plans are being shelved now by producers waiting the outcome of the rollback crude price situation. If our country is to become self-sufficient in energy, price incentive must be maintained.

The average oil production in your State is 1/2 barrels per day per well and would be classified as stripper well production. Any rollback of crude price on such marginal type production means premature abandonment of such production.

The present crude price increase in your State up to \$10.00 per barrel or more for stripper production has opened up thousands and thousands of additional acres for drilling and secondary recovery oil operations. Our Company alone is planning an extensive enlargement of our oil well drilling activities under the \$10.00 per barrel price. A rollback will negate our extended drilling plans. Hundreds of independent producers in your State will be affected likewise.

Your mature decision to prevent crude price rollback in order to help attain a future self-sufficiency of energy in our country is requested and appreciated.

If you desire additional information, please advise.

Very truly yours,

Quentin E. Wood

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cc: all members of House Senate Conference Committee