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

January 7, 1974

Mr. Wesley H. Young
Box 179A10
Kearneysville, West Virginia

Dear Mr. Young:

Thank you very much for your letter of recent date. I appreciate your writing me relative to the present "energy crisis."

From your communication, I have noted with much interest your comments in favor of gasoline rationing as opposed to increased taxes. Many others have also expressed similar feelings.

As you know, of course, the House and Senate did take action on the Energy Emergency Act during the last days of the First Session. In all probability, it will be one of the first items to be considered when the Second Session of the 93rd Congress convenes this month. You may be assured I will continue my efforts toward the passage of fair and equitable legislation for all.

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

Sincerely yours,

HARLEY O. STAGGERS

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Wesley H. Young
Box 179A10
Kearneysville, West Virginia

December 14, 1973

Senator Staggers
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Staggers:

This letter is in regard to the gas shortage we are experiencing.

For the past five years I have lived, worked and built a \$35,000 home in what I feel is a great state, the state of West Virginia. My home is in Jefferson County. I worked as a Special Education Specialist for the Department of Education, helping school systems in the Eastern panhandle to establish and upgrade programs for the handicapped.

I wish to express my views on excise tax vs rationing on gasoline. In view of the fact that excise taxes are seldom repealed, an example would be the excise tax on tires was never repealed after World War II, therefore, I would strongly support rationing as an alternative. Rationing can be easily discontinued whereas excise taxes are not.

Please consider this thought when you vote.

Sincerely,



Wesley H. Young