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The Honorable Max Baucus Chairman
Senate Committee on Finance 219 Dirksen Senate Office Building
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Baucus:

We are writing to you regarding climate change legislation. We believe our nation needs all sources of energy—including coal—to meet our future energy demands. We also know that other countries, such as India and China, depend heavily on coal as an energy resource. Therefore, widespread, commercial-scale deployment of carbon capture and sequestration technology for coal will be critical if we are to meet our national and global climate goals.

We have provided legislative and allocation suggestions to ensure the deployment of the next generation of coal technologies, and the future success of coal as a national energy resource. We agree that it is imperative this allocation must be included in any climate bill considered by the Senate Finance Committee.

Thank you for your consideration of our request regarding this important issue.

Sincerely,

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Robert Byrd

Allen Speer

Jim Inhofe

Bob Casey, Jr.

Amy Klobuchar

Mark R James
