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Red Cavaney  
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September 6, 2002

*Dear Jim -*

Senior Administration officials are meeting on September 10 to decide if the Environmental Protection Agency should be given unprecedented new authority over anti-terrorism activities at thousands of industrial facilities in the U.S.

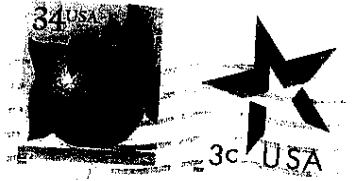
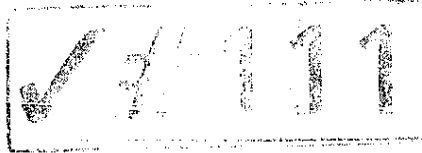
When it comes to security against terrorism, EPA has neither experience nor resources and questionable legal authority. Until the Homeland Security Department is established, it is more sensible to continue the efforts that the Energy Department and other agencies have been pursuing with our industry and others under Presidential Directive 63. DOE, with lead responsibility for energy supply reliability, is the logical agency to ensure energy supply security.

If these activities are handed to EPA, a year's worth of close cooperation and partnership between industry and a wide variety of qualified federal security experts may well be marginalized. Under the EPA approach, protracted rulemaking and potential litigation could result, degrading the ability of American industry to ward off the threat of future terrorist attacks.

We are strong supporters of President Bush's energy policy, a vital element of national security. We are committed to making the national infrastructure secure against terrorist attacks. We believe the President has the authority that allows the Administration to endorse and continue the effort that has the federal government and the energy industry working arm in arm to thwart terrorism, protect our neighbors, and keep the economy moving forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Red Cavaney'.



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