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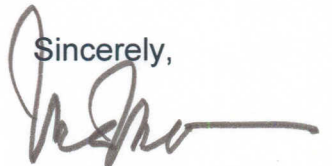
Dear Mr. President,

Recently, it was brought to my attention that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is working to implement a rule that could declare coal combustion byproduct as a hazardous material. If the EPA goes forward with a proposed rule that would make such a declaration, it could be damaging to energy companies in Missouri and to small businesses that use coal combustion byproduct as a material to help make items such as concrete, structural fill, road base, roofing, and wallboard.

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson. I urge you to give these concerns every appropriate consideration in the days ahead.

With respect, I am

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress

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Enclosure