

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

February 3, 2010

The Honorable Barack Obama
President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Obama:

Over the next year many difficult decisions will be necessary to stimulate our staggering economy while at the same time attempting to control our skyrocketing deficit. Unemployment now stands at 10%, and if you include underemployed or those that have simply given up looking for work, the number is above 17%.

Throughout your presidency you have continually stated that you want to work across the aisle to bring all ideas to the table. With that in mind, we would like to take the opportunity to accept your offer of openness to all ideas.

We would like to make you aware that on March 11, 2009 a number of House and Senate members introduced the *No Cost Stimulus Act of 2009*. This legislation was introduced with a strong endorsement from the Alliance for Worker Freedom, Americans for Tax Reform, National Association of Manufacturers, National Black Chamber of Commerce, National Taxpayers Union, and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

As private sector payrolls continue to shrink, it is important to recognize the difference between taxpayer funded jobs in government and deficit spending on temporary employment, versus wealth generation which creates long-term private industry jobs. For private industry to create jobs and generate wealth (and thus more tax revenue without raising taxes) the people and businesses of this country need more than access to raw materials, labor, and markets for the material goods produced.

Private industry and the people of this country must also have a regulatory environment whereby they are given access to the resources of this country as well as agency policies that do not stifle business or cripple domestic industry attempting to compete on a world stage. Massive influxes of capital and government spending have not, and will not, replace the importance of wealth generation for the economic wellbeing of our country.

The current regulatory regime being pushed by the Department of Interior, Department of Energy, and Environmental Protection Agency are antithetical to the creation of private sector jobs. Limiting American's access to domestic resources, whether it is cutting off water to farmers in California, limiting access to federal lands in Utah and Wyoming, or preventing access to energy in West Virginia and the Gulf of Mexico, is no more helpful than massive new regulatory expansion of government mandates on the private sector.

The current policy coming out of the aforementioned agencies is destructive to private businesses' ability to generate wealth and for the private sector to create jobs. Attached to this letter is economic analysis supporting our legislation.

The *No Cost Stimulus Act* was designed to limit agency bureaucracy, provide access for U.S. citizens to U.S. resources, and to prevent the continued backslide of our energy policy. The act will also streamline review processes that are preventing millions of new jobs from being created.

As Congress considers additional legislation to help the economy grow and to create American jobs, your consideration of this legislation in developing job creating strategies, and the attached document is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

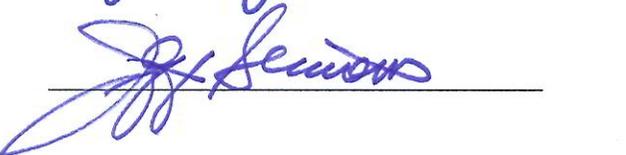


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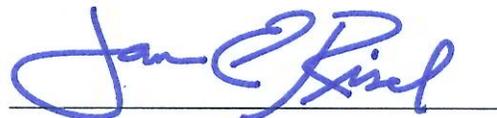




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