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The Honorable Joe Barton
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The Honorable Fred Upton
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Dear Ranking Members Barton and Upton:

We are writing regarding the May 1 hearing we have offered to hold in the Subcommittee on Energy and the Environment in response to your request for an additional day of hearings on the American Clean Energy and Security Act. If you would like to proceed with this hearing, we will need to have by the close of business today the names of the hearing witnesses so that we can provide Subcommittee members with appropriate information to prepare for the hearing.

Your April 28 letter inquired about the status of text concerning "emission allocations." We are currently engaged in productive discussions with many members regarding these and other provisions and will share language when it is available. We also understand, from press accounts, that you have been drafting legislative language relating to the discussion draft. We would be happy to review such language if you would like to share it with us.

Sincerely,



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