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The Honorable Jack Reed
Chairman
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment,
and Related Agencies
United States Senate
131 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

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Sincerely,

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Thomas J. Vilsack
Secretary

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The Honorable Lisa Murkowski
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment,
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United States Senate
125 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510-4403

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