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Ms. Hazel R. O'Leary
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Dear Ms. O'Leary,

I heard your speech, and I hope that you can do something to justify the existence of the Department of Energy to us middle-class taxpayers.

For many years I have researched and accumulated information on various energy devices, some of that research is enclosed. Despite the position of our government, and the auto industry, that an automobile must be "downsized" to achieve a 40 MPG CAFE Standard, the reality is that technology has been available for more than 50 years to achieve 80 MPG. Shell Oil, in their book, Fuel Economy of The Gasoline Engine, wrote of achieving more than 376 MPG in 1973. In 1977, Tom Ogle was granted a U.S. Patent for a device that on a 4,600 pound American made V-8 automobile, achieved more than 100 MPG. Our government, despite the many patents issued for devices that allow an engine to burn water for fuel, sent more than 500,000 of our citizens to defend oil wells.

With your interest in reducing our reliance on foreign oil, you might find the enclosed video tape of a speech by Lindsey Williams of interest. Mr. Williams contends that Alaska has the largest pool of oil on the earth. He also speaks of pumping Alaska natural gas back into the ground to keep the American people from realizing the benefits of that energy resource.

Thank you for your time, I have other information if you want it.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: Energy information, 95 pages; Lindsey Williams video tape.