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The Honorable Donald Trump
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We thank you for your principled leadership on the America First Energy Plan which has unleashed our economy and put the United States back on a path of energy dominance in the world. You have withdrawn from the job-killing Paris Climate accord and directed EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt to repeal harmful and unnecessary environmental regulations. Coupled with tax cuts, these actions have spurred the bold economic growth and job creation that will be a main pillar of your legacy.

Pruitt has also reversed the illegal Clean Power Plan, ended “secret science” and “sue and settle” at EPA, and canceled unworkable CAFE standards that produce vehicles the public doesn’t want and science doesn’t demand. This is a positive record of reform unmatched by any of Pruitt’s predecessors – and indeed, it is a vital correction after decades of overreach and abuse of power by the EPA.

Precisely because of Pruitt’s record of leadership, radical environmentalists and the biased media are trying to force him out of office. This is yet another example of selective outrage by those you defeated in your election. While Pruitt is accused of conflicts of interest, the real conflicts at the EPA involved scientific advisors to the agency who were simultaneously receiving EPA grant money – another crooked tactic Pruitt has corrected. This whole ordeal is nothing more than an orchestrated political campaign by your enemies to undermine the deregulatory progress and economic growth your administration has fostered.

We urge you to stand strong and defend your EPA Administrator Pruitt against these attacks. You know better than anyone that if the Swamp wins, Americans lose. We thank you for your consideration of our views, which are shared by millions of Americans who admire your leadership and count on you to stand up for their interests and your appointments.

Sincerely,

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