Dear Mr. Joe Knollenberg

Given the imminent threat of global warming, I strongly urge you to fight any energy legislation that includes liquid coal technology. Liquid coal is expensive, uses vast water resources and emits double the global warming pollution as regular gasoline. Turning coal into transportation fuel is not a smart option for achieving greater energy independence and would be a step backwards on global warming.

America is already suffering from the impacts of global warming, including increased droughts and heat waves, sea levels rise, and stronger more devastating storms. Scientists agree to curb the most damaging impacts we need to reduce U.S. emissions of global warming pollution to 1990 levels by 2020 (a 15% reduction from today's levels) and to 80% below 1990 levels by 2050. This can be achieved though energy efficiency, increased use of renewable energy, and cleaner cars.

Global warming is the most important environmental challenge of our time and we need leaders who will support real solutions to this crisis. I urge you to support an energy future that enhances our security, our economy and our environment and oppose any effort to support coal-based fuels.

Sincerely,
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