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CitizenLetter

An urgent message from a concerned citizen.

HR5575

May 16, 2008

Rep. Joe Knollenberg
U.S. House of Representatives
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Washington, DC 20515-0001

Dear Rep. Joe Knollenberg,

I am writing to urge you to take a vital step toward slowing global warming and support HR 5575, the Moratorium on Uncontrolled Power Plants Act.

NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies director James Hansen has said that halting coal-fired power plants unequipped with carbon-control equipment is "the most critical action for saving the planet at this time."

Coal-fired plants built without greenhouse-gas emissions controls are the largest new source of global-warming pollution. Just one uncontrolled coal plant will spew billions of pounds of greenhouse gases over its 50-year lifespan.

HR 5575, introduced by Representatives Henry Waxman (D-Calif.) and Ed Markey (D-Mass.), will bar any new coal-power plants built without state-of-the-art technology to capture and sequester CO2 emissions.

The legislation is critical to slowing down climate change and saving our environment. I urge you to support it. Please tell me how you intend to address this issue.

Sincerely,

Kenneth C Healy

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