

We need to make this good bill stronger.

It is the result of a really wonderful effort. It is what we need proudly to join the effort to limit destructive climate change to a level that will support reasonable life including reasonable human life. I am grateful we have this bill. Now we must deal with changes, amendments to make it better. We must deal also with the line-up of GHG producers who want to contribute less than their share of effort. We need to shoulder the burden of helping keep our world habitable for the people who follow us.

I am convinced that cutting of GHG needs to be much steeper than now planned because delay permits the total to increase so very dangerously. The limitation should be 55% below 1990 levels by 2035 and to 0% by 2050. There needs to be a low limit on free allowances at the start with rapid decrease in the total

I think environmental justice is remarkably important to do well. Our society will not get the collaboration we need in this effort if we have parts of the society which are further disadvantaged by our control processes, so it is really important to make the bill specific enough that there will not be uncertainty about how to distribute it to impacted populations and communities.

Please firmly resist amendments that weaken the bill. All elements of society and all elements of our commerce must help with this giant effort. It seems to me absurd to exempt fluorinated gases from the program. They are unbelievably strong GHG. The semiconductor industry must find a way to eliminate this GHG source.

Sincerely,

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