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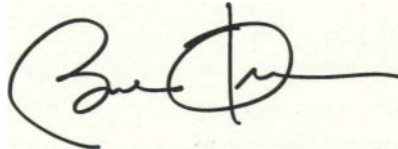
Dear Merrill:

Thank you for sharing your views on energy policy. I appreciate hearing from you and share your vision of making America the world leader in creating new sources of clean energy. This is a challenge that has gone unaddressed for too long and it is time to take the steps necessary to create millions of clean energy jobs, move towards energy independence and reduce pollution and the effects of global warming.

Together with Congress and private industries, we will make critical investments to grow an American clean energy economy and achieve energy independence. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act that I signed into law will put Americans to work weatherizing homes and buildings, doubling our supply of renewable energy, and advancing scientific research in clean energy solutions. Looking ahead, I will work to develop and deploy technologies like wind and solar power, advanced biofuels, clean coal, and more fuel-efficient cars and trucks built here in the United States. In addition, my Administration will pursue comprehensive legislation to move toward energy independence and prevent the worst consequences of global warming - while creating the incentives to make clean energy the profitable kind of energy in America.

Achieving these goals will require a sustained and shared effort by government, business, labor and your community. A sound and secure energy policy is a long-term investment in the security we need to protect our national interests, our economic prosperity, and our natural inheritance. I encourage you to read more about my energy agenda and share your views at: www.whitehouse.gov/agenda/energy_and_environment. Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be Barack Obama's signature, written on a light-colored rectangular background.