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AIR POLLUTION PROGRAM
ADMINISTRATORS

ASSOCIATION OF
LOCAL AIR POLLUTION
CONTROL OFFICIALS

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S. WILLIAM BECKER
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

U.S. House of Representative
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative:

Yesterday, the State and Territorial Air Pollution Program Administrators (STAPPA) and the Association of Local Air Pollution Control Officials (ALAPCO) sent a letter articulating our opposition to H.R. 3893, the "Gasoline for America's Security Act of 2005" and asking you to vote against it today, when the bill comes before the House of Representatives. Since that time, Chairman Barton has released a Manager's Amendment to the bill. I write to you today on behalf of STAPPA and ALAPCO to advise you that our associations continue to oppose this bill, as revised by the Manager's Amendment, and urge you to do so as well.

Although the Manager's Amendment appropriately strikes problematic changes to the New Source Review program, it fails to address other fundamentally flawed provisions of the bill, including those that eliminate states' abilities to adopt clean fuel programs; potentially undermine the federal clean diesel fuel program; preempt state and local agencies' permitting authority; and extend ozone attainment dates. Such provisions jeopardize long-term environmental and public health protections and obstruct state and local efforts to attain and maintain clean, healthful air. Therefore, STAPPA and ALAPCO continue to urge you to oppose the "Gasoline for America's Security Act."

Sincerely,



S. William Becker