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Mr. Bill Maloof
Level Propane
830 Canterbury Rd.
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Dear Mr. Maloof:

Bill —

Thank you for contacting me with regards to propane gas prices. This is a valid concern, as it is an issue that inflicts many rural areas and low-income families in the 10th district.

As you know, I have recently introduced legislation called the Gas Price Spike Act of 2000. This legislation will institute a windfall profit tax on industries who manage gasoline, diesel, crude oil, and home heating oil. At your suggestion, I included propane profits. This tax is a disincentive for oil companies to take excessive profits, and it will not raise the prices of gas in effort to protect the consumers. This legislation provides tax credits to consumers who purchase highly efficient vehicles. The bill also provides local funding for reduced mass transit fares. These benefits to consumers will help reduce our dependency on oil, while the windfall profits tax keeps gas prices in check. I am confident that this bill will protect consumers.

Thank you again for contacting me about this important issue. Should you have any additional questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me again.

Sincerely,

Dennis

Dennis J. Kucinich
Member of Congress

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