

Committee on Environmental Regulation

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Mr. Edward Selig Center for Responsible Environmental Strategies 5926 Balcones, Suite 220 Austin, TX 78731

Dear Mr. Selig:

One of the suggestions the Committee on Environmental Regulation has submitted to the Speaker's Office for interim studies was to "Delineate or prioritize environmental issues on the Texas / Mexico border, including air quality and solid waste."

We would like the Center for Responsible Environmental Strategies to consider lending its assistance to address these important issues. Through its network of scientists and engineers, the Center for Responsible Environmental Strategies has the expertise to bring together a body of scientific knowledge that will greatly assist us in reaching conclusions that are balanced and well documented.

We also understand that you have members on your board who have particular interest in and knowledge about the concerns of the citizens of El Paso regarding these issues. We think that it would be appropriate to draw on your resource base to assist us in adequately answering some of the more critical questions relating to border air quality issues.

I am looking forward to your response,



