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The Honorable Pete V. Domenici, Chairman
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Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In your November 16, 2005 letter you asked me to explain my response to a question posed at the November 9, 2005 hearing, specifically: ***"Did your company or any representatives in your companies participate in Vice President Cheney's Energy Task Force in 2001 the meeting?"*** I responded: ***"Not to my knowledge."*** That answer was truthful and accurate. To my knowledge and after reasonable inquiry, Shell representatives did not meet with the VP's Energy Task Force. However, Shell representatives did meet with the administration --including the Vice President and his staff -- on a broad range of energy policy issues. We also contributed information, ideas and concepts to the Baker Institute for Public Policy, which ultimately issued a report on "Strategic Energy Challenges of the 21st Century." Shell continues to welcome opportunities to participate in discussions and contribute to decisions concerning a national, long-term strategic energy policy

Sincerely,