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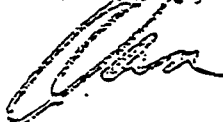
Dear Bob:

I am writing with regard to the provision of your tax reform proposal which would eliminate the deductibility of certain federal excise taxes. This provision is of concern to the trucking industry, among many other industries.

As you may know, the trucking industry is experiencing dire economic circumstances, with nearly one-third of the industry operating at a loss. In light of this situation, I would urge you to hold hearings on the excise tax provision of the committee's draft in order to study the potential effects the loss of deductibility of excise taxes may have on the trucking and other industries.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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