

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

June 14, 2010

President Barack Obama
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Obama,

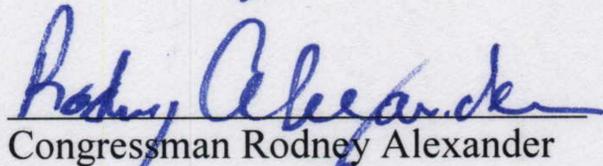
The Members of the Louisiana Congressional delegation respectfully request a meeting with you to discuss the dire economic impacts the current policy on deep and shallow water drilling is having on our state. The moratorium on deep water drilling and the new regulation and deadlines for shallow water drilling is already causing job loss in our state.

The deep water moratorium has idled 33 rigs and the workers on these platforms. In addition, there are thousands more workers who provide services and support including welders, electricians, mariners, caterers and engineers to a rig that aren't directly employed by the drilling operator. The ramifications of the moratorium and additional regulations are being felt. Already one company has announced plans to move three drilling platforms from the Gulf of Mexico and a maritime company has warned of laying off several thousand employees. Hundreds of small businesses that provide specialized services or equipment to energy companies are seeing reduced sales and their employees are worried about layoffs or pay reductions.

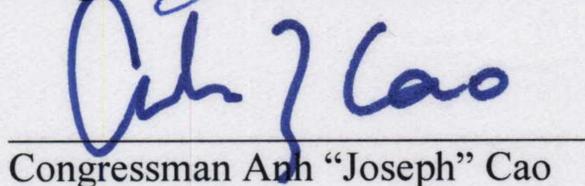
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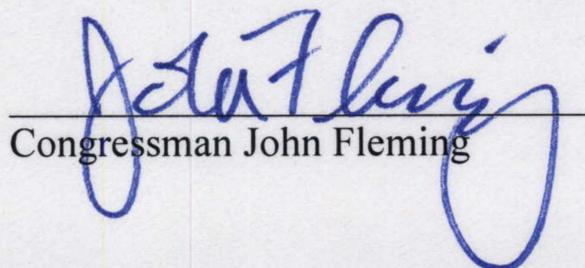
Sincerely,

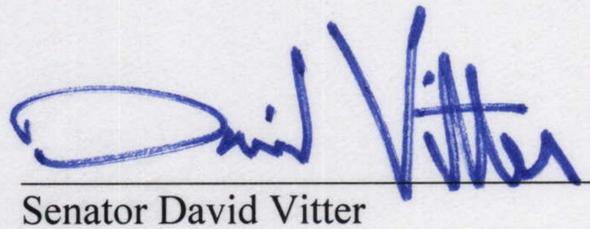

Senator Mary Landrieu

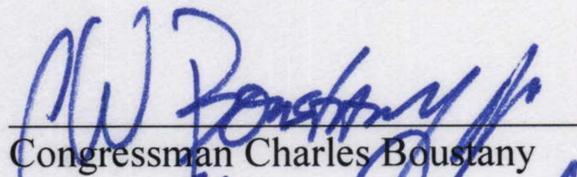

Congressman Rodney Alexander

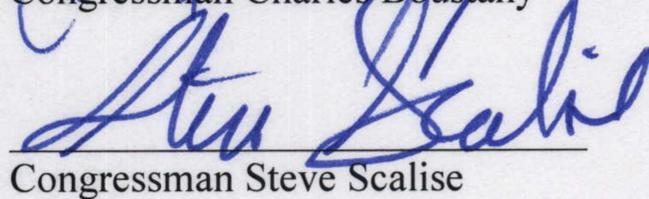

Congressman Charlie Melancon

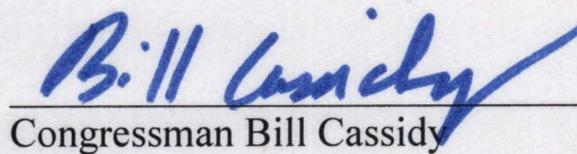

Congressman Joseph "Joseph" Cao


Congressman John Fleming


Senator David Vitter


Congressman Charles Boustany


Congressman Steve Scalise


Congressman Bill Cassidy