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RE: Letter of Support for The Coal Residuals Re-use and Management Act

Dear Chairmen Upton and Shimkus:

The Environmental Council of the States (ECOS) is writing in support of the approach of The Coal Residuals Re-use and Management Act. The bill's approach conforms with our resolution on this matter, and ensures that states will regulate Coal Combustion Residuals under federal standards with a maximum of flexibility, preservation of the rights of states to be more stringent, and in a manner which will assure the quickest implementation.

ECOS' members are the leaders of the states' environmental agencies.

I would be pleased to provide any additional information in support of ECOS' position.

Regards,

Executive Director

Attachment