



June 28, 2011

The Honorable Geoff Davis
U.S. House of Representatives
1119 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Davis:

On behalf of U.S. mining, I am writing to thank you for your leadership in reintroducing the "Regulations from the Executive In Need of Scrutiny (REINS) Act" (H.R. 10). The National Mining Association (NMA) strongly supports H.R. 10, which would bring much needed transparency and oversight to the regulatory process.

America's mining industry provides affordable and secure energy, metals and minerals needed to power and build our nation. It creates jobs for hard-working Americans across the United States. At a time when our country is facing economic uncertainty, we need a consistent and predictable regulatory program that will protect and create jobs. We cannot afford to lose access to vital domestic resources and reliable, low-cost electricity due to regulatory overreach.

In requiring Congress to pass a joint resolution of approval before implementing any new major rule, the REINS Act is a common-sense approach to providing the Congressional oversight necessary to mitigate the adverse effects of major regulations.

I appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to working with you on this important regulatory reform initiative.

Sincerely,

Hal Quinn
President & CEO