



# AMERICANS *for* TAX REFORM

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The Honorable James M. Inhofe  
United States Senate  
453 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510 -3603

Dear Senator Inhofe:

On behalf of Americans for Tax Reform, and millions of taxpayers, I would like to thank you for your report titled *Consensus Exposed: The CRU controversy*, which formally requested the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to reconsider its endangerment finding on the basis that they relied on the United Nation's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) reports, which have now been revealed to be full of faulty science.

Your response to the EPA's endangerment findings is wholly appropriate given the de-legitimization of the once esteemed University of East Anglia's Climatic Research Unit (CRU), and subsequently, the United Nation's IPCC reports, many of which were authored by CRU scientists or drew heavily from CRU findings.

Unable to pass comprehensive climate legislation through Congress, members of the current administration have attempted to shape American energy policy via the EPA, a contentious point your report confronts head on. Questioning the EPA's authority to implement broad energy regulation while challenging the justification for such regulation, your thorough report rebuts EPA's most convincing arguments.

This refutation of the EPA is critical because of the enormous impact EPA regulation or cap-and-trade like legislation would have on American people and American businesses. The EPA should not be the chief regulator of America's economy.

The effect of suggested energy taxes would be devastating; resulting in lost income, lost jobs, and higher energy prices. Energy taxes deter foreign investment negatively impacting future growth. In order to compensate for higher energy prices, American companies would be forced to raise the price of their products, reduce their payroll, or ship jobs overseas. Higher energy prices directly affect consumers as Americans will see their energy bills soar. None of these results are desirable.

I would like to commend your efforts in standing up for taxpayers, small businesses, consumers and American family's nationwide. Thank you for your leadership.

Onward,

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