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The Honorable John Barrasso  
Chairman  
U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works  
410 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-6175

Dear Chairman Barrasso,

Earlier this year, your leadership in the Senate delivered the fossil fuel industry and environmental groups across the country a remarkable bipartisan win in the form of passage of the FUTURE Act, amending and improving the 45Q tax credit for carbon capture, utilization, and sequestration. The vocal support from many very different organizations following passage of the FUTURE Act demonstrated that there is significant common ground between those in the utility, coal, and oil and gas industries that see CO<sub>2</sub> as a valuable commodity and those for whom CO<sub>2</sub> emissions represent a serious concern that needs to be addressed.

Your recent introduction of the Utilizing Significant Emissions with Innovative Technologies (USE IT) Act, cosponsored by Senators Capito, Whitehouse, and Heitkamp, represents a further opportunity for bipartisan progress in this area. In promoting the development of the CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline infrastructure needed to move large-scale carbon capture forward, as well as research into beneficial uses for CO<sub>2</sub>, we see the USE IT Act as the logical next step in the development and deployment of carbon capture, utilization, and storage technology supported by the 45Q tax credit.

U.S. energy dominance, a strong and robust future for the coal industry and addressing concerns about CO<sub>2</sub> emissions will all be served by legislation like the USE IT Act. To ensure that the U.S. retains a competitive advantage in reliable, affordable, and resilient power generation, plentiful coal must be a part of the nation's energy future, and we believe the USE IT Act will contribute to that future. Thank you for your continued leadership and support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Colin Marshall", written in a cursive style.

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