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Dr. Margo Thorning  
Senior Vice President and Chief Economist  
American Council for Capital Formation  
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Dear Margo:

On October, we received a letter from Chairman Henry Waxman and Chairman Edward Markey with a list of questions concerning our economic modeling of H.R. 2454, the American Clean Energy and Security Act. We noticed that you also received a similar letter with a request to answer these questions, along with several other organizations. This is an excellent opportunity for those of us who helped shape this public debate to further explain our findings.

The Heritage Foundation and our Center for Data Analysis have always believed in the importance of openness and transparency in regard to our different economic modeling activities. Therefore, we will post our response to Chairman Waxman and Chairman Markey on our website for the general public to see. We encourage you to do the same. Heritage is also prepared to open our website as a collection spot for all of the various organizations responses so they all can be viewed in one location by the public.

Please contact Dan Ziegler, our U.S. House Relations Deputy, at [dan.ziegler@heritage.org](mailto:dan.ziegler@heritage.org) or 202-608-6063 if you have any questions or if you would like to post your response on our site.

Sincerely,

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Director, Center for Data Analysis

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