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Dear Representative:

The American Gas Association represents 192 local energy utility companies that deliver natural gas to more than 53 million homes, businesses and industries throughout the United States. AGA member companies account for roughly 83 percent of all natural gas delivered by the nation's local natural gas distribution companies. Natural gas meets one-fourth of the United States' energy needs.

The House of Representatives is now considering H.R. 4520, the FSC - ETI bill. The American Gas Association strongly encourages you to support this legislation. Our member companies supply gas to thousands of manufacturers. In fact, the industrial sector consumes more natural gas than any other sector. We believe that Congress should act quickly, before the penalties imposed by the World Trade Organization cause serious harm to the domestic economy.

We appreciate your consideration of our views on this matter and urge you to vote in favor of the FSC-ETI legislation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David N. Parker". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "D".

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