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The Honorable Edward J. Markey
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Dear Messrs. Chairmen:

On behalf of The Dow Chemical Company, I want to congratulate you for developing comprehensive legislation to cap the growth of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the United States, and for your commitment to consider the bill in the Committee on Energy and Commerce before Memorial Day.

US leadership is essential to fostering a global solution to rising GHG emissions. America is at its best when it leads. Sound and predictable policy to address climate change will unleash investment in new technologies that will advance both energy security and sustainability.

As a member of the US Climate Action Partnership (USCAP), a broad coalition of business and environmental organizations, we appreciate the extent to which the bill reflects the USCAP recommendations in our Blueprint for Legislative Action, which we believe can serve as a useful roadmap for those interested in enacting legislation that is environmentally effective, economically sustainable, and fair.

We support your aim to move the bill through the Committee, and we look forward to working with you and others in Congress as this legislation is further considered.

We also wish to acknowledge the professionalism and hard work of your staff, who have worked tirelessly in the development of this legislation.

Sincerely,

Andrew N. Liveris