

**Congress of the United States**  
Washington, DC 20515

March 14, 2008

The Honorable George W. Bush  
President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We are outraged by the recent Air Force decision to award the KC-X Next Generation Air-refueling Tanker contract to a foreign competitor in the name of the Northrop Grumman/European Aeronautic Defence and Space Team. As you know, the decision to award this \$35 billion contract has brought wide-spread concern and opposition across the nation.

We have strong reasons to believe that the tanker competition was clearly unfair and heavily weighted in favor of a foreign manufacturer. With illegal subsidies, waived regulations and unequal evaluations it is impossible for an American manufacturer to win. If not overturned it will negatively impact the United States for generations. An American tanker should be built by an American company with American workers. America must not outsource our national security.

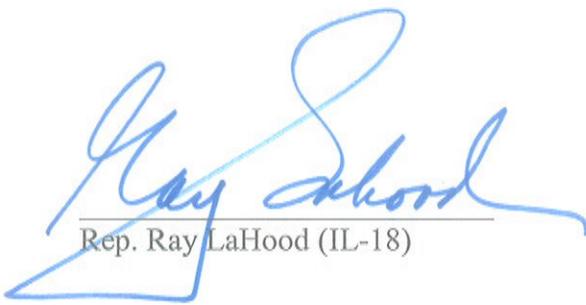
This is yet another example of our own government putting the US at an economic disadvantage. During a time of economic uncertainty, it is baffling why the Department would decide to use American taxpayer dollars to send at least 19,000 jobs overseas.

Therefore, we strongly demand that the Department of Defense reverse this dangerous decision to award the KC-X Tanker contract to the Northrop Grumman/European Aeronautic Defence and Space Team.

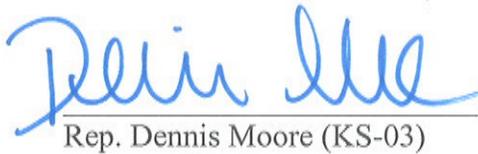
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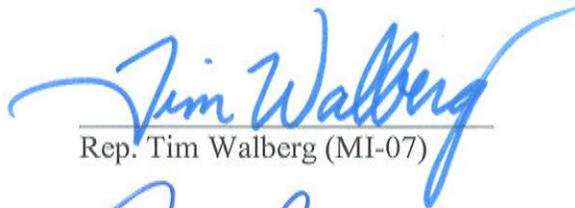
  
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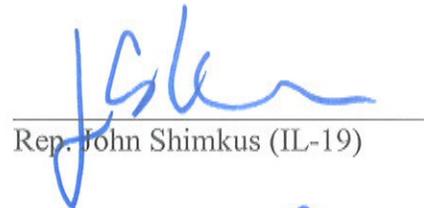
  
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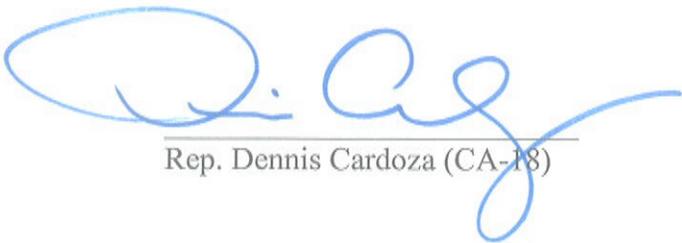
  
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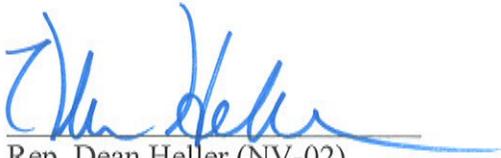
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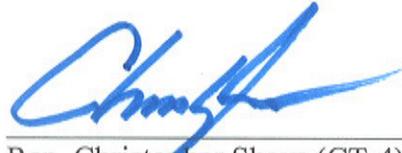
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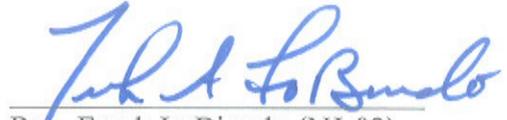
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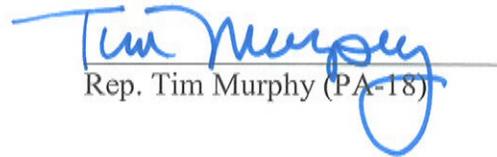
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