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Mr. David Horrock
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Dear David:

During the energy embargo of 1973 while I was still at the Office of Management and Budget, Bill Simon, who was deputy secretary of the Treasury, was asked to take over the management of the overall crisis and asked me to function as administrator of petroleum allocation. At that time, Congress had passed allocation controls since we had shortages from the embargo and price controls still in place. The attached is the letter of authority which was signed by Director Ash, Secretary Morton, and Bill Simon, giving me the authority necessary to allocate energy. This was before I became the Energy Administrator.

Very truly yours,



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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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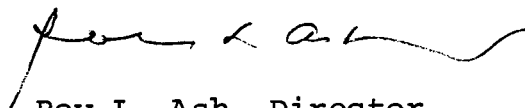
Mr. Frank G. Zarb
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Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D. C. 20503

Dear Mr. Zarb:

Due to the departure of Admiral Reich as Administrator of the Office of Petroleum Allocation in the Department of the Interior, whose functions are now under the control and supervision of the Federal Energy Office, you are hereby designated and authorized to serve on an interim basis as Acting Administrator of the Office of Petroleum Allocation.

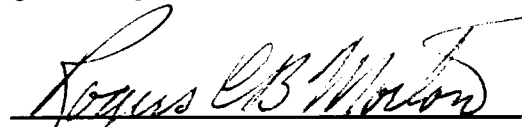
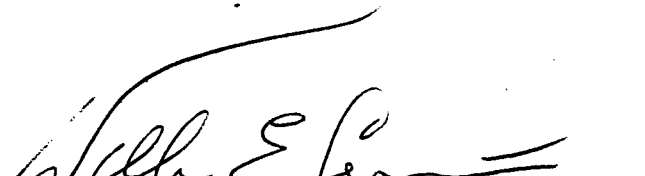
You are to take whatever actions are necessary to administer the allocation program and to perform such other appropriate functions as delegated and assigned to the Administrator heretofore and hereafter throughout this interim period.

Sincerely,



Roy L. Ash, Director
Office of Management and Budget

Concur:


Rogers C. B. Morton
Secretary of the Interior.
William E. Simon, Administrator
Federal Energy Office