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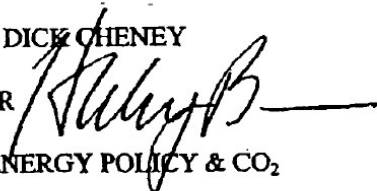
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MEMORANDUM TO VICE PRESIDENT DICK CHENEY

FROM: HALEY BARBOUR 
RE: BUSH-CHENEY ENERGY POLICY & CO₂

For the eight years of the Clinton Administration environmental policy prevailed over energy policy, to such an extent that Governor Bush said in the campaign that there was no energy policy in the Clinton-Gore Administration.

The country has serious energy problems; some parts of the country have an energy crisis. The Bush-Cheney Administration has publicly recognized the severity of the energy problems, and a task force has been set up to address the problem, headed by you, the Vice President.

A moment of truth is arriving in the form of a decision whether this Administration's policy will be to regulate and/or tax CO₂ as a pollutant. The question is whether environmental policy still prevails over energy policy with Bush-Cheney, as it did with Clinton-Gore. Demurring on the issue of whether the CO₂ idea is eco-extremism, we must ask, do environmental initiatives, which would greatly exacerbate the energy problems, trump good energy policy, which the country has lacked for eight years?

Clinton-Gore policies meant less energy and more expensive energy. Most Americans thought Bush-Cheney would mean more energy and more affordable energy.

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