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Dear Robert & Madeline:

On behalf of the 350+ members of the Independent Petroleum Association of New Mexico (IPANM), we strongly support the Committee Print of Title VIII – Committee on Natural Resources Subtitle A – Energy and Minerals Resources, which opens up tremendous opportunities and growth for our members in both the New Mexico Permian Basin and the San Juan Basin.

We especially endorse these aspects:

Energy and Minerals

ONSHORE OIL AND GAS LEASE SALES

• Reinstates quarterly onshore oil and gas lease sales under the Mineral Leasing Act, generating revenue for the federal government, ensuring certainty for producers and promoting a long-term American supply.

OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS LEASE SALES

• Mandates offshore oil and gas lease sales, which generate federal revenue through bonus bids, rentals and royalties. Provides long-term certainty to the of

STREAMLINING FEDERAL PERMITTING PROCESSES

• Establishes a process through which project sponsors can receive their EIS in 1 year, their EA in six months and safeguard themselves against frivolous litigation.

Please add our name to the list of groups the fully support and endorse your recommendations.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at <u>jimwinchester@ipanm.org</u> or 505-933-2070.

Highest Regards,

Jim Winchester Executive Director

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