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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about our environment. Yesterday you proposed an end run around Congress eviscerating President Nixon's National Environmental Policy Act by exempting projects from environmental review and reviews from conflict of interest restrictions. NEPA hails from a time when America was a great leader in environmental protection and has been copied in scores of other countries. Your changes will hamper local control, allow companies to review themselves (like Boeing's review of the 737 Max), evade cumulative impact review (encouraging the warming associated with today's megafire in Austrailia) and open the door to more corruption around exemptions (like your broad tariffs).

Please assure me that you will not alter the National Environmental Policy Act.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our environmental leadership.

Sincerely, Eric Babson