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Richard B. Cheney  
Vice President of the United States of America  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20500  
U.S.A.

Dear Vice President Cheney:

I wanted to write and confirm for you that the Province of Alberta stands with our friends and neighbours in the United States during this time of crisis and resolve. I also want you to know that there are Albertans ready to assist with the great effort you are making in Iraq.

Following the 1991 Gulf War, an Alberta company was at the forefront of oilfield firefighting in Kuwait. That company is Safety Boss. The company, and its expert employees, is ready again to work with the United States, its armed forces and private contractors to address and resolve oilfield fire conditions in Iraq.

Alberta is doing all that we can to ensure a secure and steady supply of energy to your country. If needed, Albertans also want to be able to provide hands on expertise where we know we can be supportive and successful. I would like to strongly recommend Safety Boss to you and your administration. The company has a record of achievement that is unparalleled.

Once again, our hearts and minds are with you. I hope to write to you again about another way that Alberta might assist when you have successfully resolved the current conflict in Iraq.

Yours truly,

Murray Smith, MLA  
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