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Pro-Growth Tax Policies Can Strengthen U.S. Energy Renaissance

Dear Kevin,

Creating jobs, growing the economy and spurring investment in the U.S. through [pro-growth tax reform](#) are goals everyone can support. The tax reform framework released last week by leaders in Congress and the Trump administration supports those vital objectives.

When it comes to the natural gas and oil industry – a major driver of the economy – maintaining pro-growth policies is essential. The industry invests billions each year in the U.S. economy and supports [over 10 million jobs](#) throughout the economy.

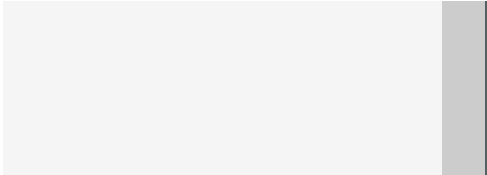
Thriving domestic energy production has also helped stabilize world markets and drive down prices – leading to [significant savings](#) for homes and businesses. Drivers saved over \$550 at the pump in 2015, while lower costs for utility bills, products and other energy-related expenses boosted household budgets by \$1337. Manufacturers -- including producers of steel, chemicals, plastics, fertilizers and numerous other products -- are [saving on power and materials costs](#), providing a major advantage over foreign competitors.

And the industry's economic activity generates revenue – about [\\$70 million a day](#) on average to the federal government in income taxes, rents, royalty payments and

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Sincerely,



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