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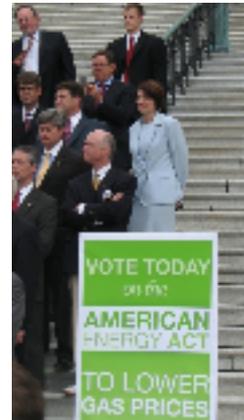
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**McMorris Rodgers Supports More American Energy Legislation**

(Washington, D.C.) Today, Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers renewed her call for an “all of the above” approach to lowering the cost of energy. McMorris Rodgers cosponsored the American Energy Act, which will increase the supply of American-made energy, improve conservation and efficiency, and promote renewable and alternative energy technologies.

This is the second bill in less than a month that McMorris Rodgers signed onto that aims to reduce energy costs through increased conservation, innovation and energy production.

“The high cost of energy is the biggest concern right now for many people in Eastern Washington,” McMorris Rodgers said. “The American Energy Act will help lower energy costs. I urge the Democratic House leadership to schedule a vote on the bill before the August district work period. It’s time we start meeting American energy needs with American resources and no is not an answer.”



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McMorris Rodgers on the steps of the U.S. Capitol as lawmakers unveil the American Energy Act

(Picture attached to e-mail)

The American Energy Act will:

- **Increase the supply of American-made energy in environmentally sound ways** by allowing exploration in the ocean and Arctic coastal plain, the development of oil shale and by streamlining the permitting process for new refineries;
- **Improve energy conservation and efficiency** by providing tax incentives for buying fuel-efficient vehicles, promoting the development of fuel efficient vehicles and providing tax incentives for businesses and homeowners who improve their energy efficiency;

- **Promote alternative and renewable energy technology** by establishing a renewable energy trust fund through revenues from ocean and Arctic coastal plain drilling, permanently extend the tax credit for alternative energy production and eliminating the barriers to emission-free nuclear power production.

Since coming to Congress, McMorris Rodgers has voted for American energy 100% of the time. She is the ranking Republican on the Water and Power Subcommittee where she is working to promote hydropower as a clean, renewable and affordable source of energy and key component of meeting American energy needs with American resources.

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