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Gentlemen & Ladies

I Am writing you to see if any of you will take the right action on this matter of cell connection with the utilities, the President of the United States. Our country needs greater energy independence. Are we going to keep relying on fossil fuels or are we going to take a bold step and try to get ourselves energy independent? We are in a war now because of oil and probably will be until we get our multi-national oil companies out of the middle east.

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We in Florida are blessed with plenty of sunshine. Let's do the right thing and put the free energy to work. Don't let the power company pressure you into making the public put in expensive monitoring devices and connection fees as well as metering fees. The power companies are monopolies and don't want to change Energy in New Smyrna Beach.

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We need to act now before it is too late.
Search your soul's and make the right choice.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



Resist rush on energy legislation

AN EDITORIAL FROM
THE WASHINGTON POST

The White House and Senate Republicans kept up the pressure last week for action on energy legislation. As he departed from California for Shanghai, President Bush called on the Senate to vote on the energy bill passed by the House in August: "Our country needs greater energy independence," he said. "This issue is a matter of national security, and I hope the Senate acts quickly."

Even as Capitol Hill was being swept for signs of anthrax, Sen-

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ate backers of the GOP energy bill continued their routine of daily demands for Majority Leader Tom Daschle to schedule a vote on energy and promised to find some other way to bring up the legislation if he doesn't.

Haste may be good strategy for backers of the administration's plan. The desire to be viewed as responding to September's terrorist attacks remains strong,

and lawmakers' appetite for divisive debate, while reviving, still remains constrained. Now would seem to be a good time to strike. But speeding complex and far-reaching legislation through Congress without thoughtful debate isn't the way to make good policy.

Rushing to endorse the flawed House bill, which pushes production, including opening the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil drilling, while falling far short on auto fuel-efficiency standards, would be a mistake.

The Senate should not be stampeded.