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Dear Dr. Avery:

On January 20, 2022, we invited you to testify before the Oversight Committee at a February 8 hearing to examine whether oil and gas companies' climate pledges are adequate to reduce emissions and avert a looming climate disaster. You declined to participate on the date requested.

The Committee plans to move forward with our hearing on February 8, to learn the truth about the fossil fuel industry's climate pledges. We will hear from witnesses who have studied these pledges and will explain whether they will truly reduce global warming—or instead are simply another effort by oil and gas companies to deceive the public and “greenwash” the industry's destructive impact on our planet.

In light of your role on the board of directors of Exxon, a major source of carbon emissions, the Committee continues to require your testimony on this topic. As we previously explained, boards of directors of fossil fuel companies have a key role to play in holding management accountable for meaningful actions to reduce emissions.

As an accommodation to you, we plan to divide this hearing into two panels on different dates, and we will reschedule your testimony for March 8, 2022. This will be your last opportunity to appear voluntarily before the Committee. Please confirm by February 7 that you will comply with this request.

Because the Committee is postponing your testimony for four weeks, we expect that Exxon will complete production of all records responsive to our November 2, 2021, subpoena in advance of your testimony. This subpoena was issued four months ago, and the remaining documents are long overdue.

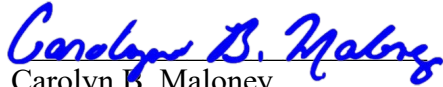
Among other documents, Exxon must produce in full and without redaction all responsive board materials, including those previously placed inside a restrictive electronic reading room without the Committee's consent. Failure to produce these documents in advance

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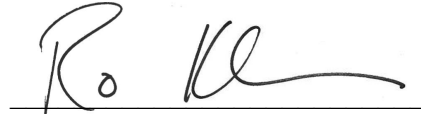
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of the hearing may lead to further action by the Committee to secure compliance with the subpoena.

Sincerely,



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Chairwoman  
Committee on Oversight and Reform



Ro Khanna  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Environment

cc: The Honorable James Comer, Ranking Member  
Committee on Oversight and Reform

The Honorable Ralph Norman, Ranking Member  
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