The Climate Change Leadership Institute

September 10, 2008

Dear T. Boone Pickens:

Every year the non-profit organization called the Climate Change Leadership Institute (CCLI) gives a special recognition for the person we think bravely stands up to make a difference in our country and throughout the local communities in New Mexico where the organization is based. This year we are honored to present the Climate Courage Award to T. Boone Pickens for your outstanding leadership in pressing the United States to embrace an intelligent energy plan that can wean us off foreign oil and boldly move us forward in the direction of cleaner power and energy independence.

As a bold, conservative and wise voice in the private sector, you have stood up for change when most have either been silent on the issue or entangled in the status quo. As a pioneering investor in renewable energy and a true statesman for the cause, CCLI presents this token of appreciation including a plaque, hopefully more media attention and a modest financial award. Please understand that we are just a small, grassroots organization striving to do our part in the pursuit of taking responsibility in America. Hopefully some day the award can be of much greater financial and public stature as it is so critical for our national security, our sustainability and our economy that we change the culture of energy in our country.

We thank you and congratulate you on your pursuit of excellence and wonderful achievement in helping our Nation on this most critical matter. We hope that you could respond to us with a letter presenting your thoughts regarding winning this award so we can post it on our website <u>www.take.responsibility.us</u> for all to see.

With much gratitude, RAGLA

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November 10, 2008

Mr. Robb Hirsch Founder, Executive Director Climate Change Leadership Institute 911 Stagecoach Road Santa Fe NM 87501

Dear Robb:

Thank you for honoring me with your Climate Courage Award.

For more than 35 years, I have traveled to Washington asking presidents and congressional members to formulate a comprehensive energy plan for America. Each president has promised to "make the United States energy independent." During that time, U.S. oil imports climbed from 24 percent to almost 70 percent. We are exporting an alarming portion of our wealth to pay for our addiction to foreign oil.

Earlier this year, I decided to take my case to the American public. The 1.2 million-plus people who have visited www.pickensplan.com and signed on as soldiers in our campaign to reduce foreign oil's grip on us hearten me. America is blessed with the world's greatest wind power corridor and abundant reserves of clean natural gas. The Pickens Plan will utilize these tremendous resources to build a bridge to the future — a blueprint to reduce foreign oil dependence by harnessing domestic energy alternatives and buying time for us to develop even greater new technologies.

When I visit the newly elected president in 2009, I will take the accumulated voices of these Americans with me. Together, we will make a difference.

I appreciate your organization's honoring me for my efforts. It is an award I will share with the Pickens Plan army as we move forward in our campaign. I am returning the financial portion of this award for you to use as needed in your work.

Sincerely

