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The Honorable Barack H. Obama
President-Elect, United States of America
c/o 713 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear President Elect Obama:

What a feeling that is overtaking the country, because by electing you, we believe “yes, we can,” and we are savoring this point in time. We can analogize your campaign and election as a wedding, so to speak. We were busy preparing, the courtship was hectic and grueling and went on for months, as we weren’t sure if we were making the right decision. But we decided, the wedding went well and we had a ball at the reception. Now we’re on the honeymoon, but on January 20, 2009 the marriage begins for real.

We know the “mess” you’ve inherited: the sagging economy, two wars, health care, to name a few. But we’re ready to stand behind you because we know you will do what’s best. We believe this country got it overwhelmingly “right” on Election Day. We *were* and *are* ready to change things around for the people of this country and the world, to make a difference, and provide a better life for our children and grandchildren, while doing all possible to maintain what’s right and change what’s wrong now in order to have a comfortable and honorable life.

I’m sure you know the Communications Workers of America supported your candidacy nationally. I represent the 5,000+ workers in the state of CT who are ready, willing, able, and ready to roll up their collective sleeves to insure that your monumental goals are achieved. We know you cannot guarantee that these goals will be realized immediately. We know it will be an uphill climb, with steep steps, but we look forward to working with you and for you. We embraced your candidacy and we look forward with great expectancy to our futures and will help in anyway that we can to achieve our mutual goals. We firmly believe the decisions and selections that you make now and going forward will benefit all of us and will be made to the very best of your ability.



Congratulations and Best Wishes to you and your family. God Bless America.

William F. Henderson III
President

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I have enclosed a picture of you and I in Iowa in the beginning. They are memories that I will never forget. Barack you will always have a friend and worker in Connecticut.

Yours in a better tomorrow,
Bill Henderson

