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NATION'S LARGEST CONSUMER GROUP CALLS ON CONGRESS TO KEEP FUEL ECONOMY STANDARDS STRONG

Washington, DC – Today the nation's largest consumer organization called on Representative Issa to stand firm on fuel economy. Survey after survey conducted by the CFA has demonstrated unconditionally that consumers want and will buy more fuel efficient vehicles. Letting up on the proposed standards would cost the already beleaguered American consumer millions of dollars.

CFA has been working on fuel economy from the consumer point of view for decades. "Our analysis shows that setting high standards for 2025 will save consumers money, increase auto sales and auto industry employment, enhance national security by dramatically lowering oil imports and reduce pollution, including the emissions of greenhouse gases," said Jack Gillis, CFA's Director of Public Affairs and author of *The Car Book*.

"As indicated in the analysis of our most recent survey, we find overwhelming support for high standards, not only at the national level, but also in key regions, including Chairman Issa's home state of California, the states that followed California's leadership and adopted the Clean Cars approach, as well as, states that make up the traditional auto belt (MI, OH and IN)," said Mark Cooper, CFA's Director of Research.

Today CFA is calling on Representative Issa to listen to the American consumer and stand firm on reasonable and achievable fuel economy standards that will not only save money at the pump but reduce our dangerous dependence on foreign oil. In that vein CFA has sent the following letter to Representatives Issa, Cummings, Jordan, and Kucinich.

A copy of letter is available online at: [CFA Letter to Committee on Issa's "Green Energy Gamble" hearing, 10/11/11](#)

The Consumer Federation of America is an association of nearly 300 nonprofit consumer organizations that was established in 1968 to advance the consumer interest through research, advocacy, and education.

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