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UNITED STATES SENATOR

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Dear Friend,

With 2005 now behind us, it is important to briefly reflect on our accomplishments and to set forth an agenda for the coming year – one that focuses on continuing America's economic growth, encouraging deficit reduction, ensuring low taxes and providing for our country's on-going war against global terrorism.

Last year, in spite of numerous obstacles, we tackled tough issues and made real, measurable progress on items that New Mexicans and the American people care about.

As Chairman of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, I was able to steer the first comprehensive energy policy act through Congress in a decade. President Bush signed it into law last August in our home state of New Mexico.

We took an important step toward curbing frivolous lawsuits, which kill jobs and destroy entire industries. We passed an important bankruptcy reform law – which will make it more difficult for people to abuse our bankruptcy laws.

And, we passed a highway bill – one that will provide \$1.76 billion over the next five years to New Mexico to build, upgrade and modernize our state's highways, roads and bridges.

As New Mexico's senior Senator, I have taken a lead role on key issues impacting our state and nation - to find workable solutions to challenging issues.

Much, much more remains to be done.

For 2006, my priorities are simple: keep our taxes low, our job growth high, reign in government spending and reduce our dependency on foreign oil.

As a country we must curb our addiction to foreign oil. We can do this by opening new markets in North America and maximizing the unlimited possibilities of reusable energy. We must use the talents available to us now to secure our future energy needs.

We can reduce our dependency on foreign oil, and we can reduce it dramatically...if we have the courage to act. I intend this year and next to devise a second, and larger, comprehensive bill that balances production, new and renewable sources, and conservation.

As you may know, campaigning is never easy. I fully expect that with a closely divided Senate and with the harsh rhetoric that so pervades today's political climate, my opponents will run a negative campaign against the values we hold so dear.

I need your help to build a broad, strong team for our future. I hope you'll agree to accept this Member Card and become a member of the 2006 People for Pete Team by sending your generous contribution of one of the amounts mentioned inside today.

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I realize it may seem early to raise money for re-election, but as New Mexico's population grows and due to the high cost of television advertising, it is more challenging than ever to collect the funds I need to run the positive, issue-oriented campaigns that are my hallmark.

The coming year will be one filled with exciting opportunities as the U.S. Senate debates and, ultimately acts on, a range of important public policy issues facing our Nation.

As chairman of the Senate's Energy and Natural Resources Committee, I will play a leading role in ensuring that the recently passed national energy policy is effectively and efficiently implemented.

Furthermore, as chair of the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Subcommittee, I will continue to pursue federal funding for the Department of Energy's national laboratories at Sandia and Los Alamos – true treasures that provide valuable scientific knowledge to our entire nation.

In the coming months, the Senate will focus on the serious immigration crisis that impacts our nation. I don't have to tell you how America's current policy hurts border states like New Mexico. When the debate commences, I will work tirelessly to ensure that the policy ultimately approved will provide for the safety of our citizens and our homeland.

And, we must remain focused on America's war against global terrorism by doing whatever it takes to protect our country's domestic security, to fund our Armed Forces and take the fight to the terrorists wherever they may be. In my role as a member of the Homeland Security and Defense Appropriations Subcommittees, I take this responsibility seriously.

I am incredibly blessed to serve as New Mexico's senior Senator and I remain as committed today as the day when I was first elected to achieve positive results for our great state and for the nation.

With your help, I'm determined to press forward with a bold agenda in the coming year and to run a positive re-election campaign that will make all of New Mexico proud.

My wife, Nancy, and I extend our most sincere gratitude for your support and wish you all the best in the New Year. I hope I can count on you for my re-election efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pete Domenici". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "P".

Pete Domenici

P.S. I sincerely hope you'll accept the attached Member Card and join my winning team today. Together, we can accomplish much for New Mexico and our great nation. *Thanks, in advance, for your support.*