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The Honorable Anthony Brown
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Brown:

Thank you for your letter of September 27, 2017, concerning the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's new parking rate increase.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's headquarters parking program historically charged participants a reduced parking rate. The agency recently assessed whether the continuation of the reduced-rate parking was justified given the Administration's move to reform government. As a result, the agency now offers an EPA non-subsidized parking rate to program participants including those who carpool and those who park in handicapped spaces.

The agency has also been researching a pre-tax benefit parking subsidy that would benefit all EPA employees with qualified parking expenses with plans to initiate the program in fiscal year 2018.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Christina Moody in EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations at moody.christina@epa.gov or (202) 564-0260.

Sincerely,

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