In a letter to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs Administrator Dudley, Chairman Waxman urged the release of a pending rule to protect endangered right whales from being killed by ships, and released documents indicating that the rule's delay may be due to baseless objections raised by White House officials.

**Documents and Links**

- Letter to Administrator Susan Dudley
- July 31, 2007 NOAA Response to Council of Economic Advisors
- October 2007 NOAA Reponse to Office of the Vice President
- November 20, 2007 NOAA Response to White House