

**Congress of the United States**  
Washington, DC 20510

May 1, 2008

G. Richard Wagoner, Jr.  
Chairman & Chief Executive Officer  
General Motors Corporation  
300 Renaissance Center  
Detroit, MI 48265

Dear Mr. Wagoner:

We write to express our strong support for the continuation of operations at the General Motors (GM) facility in Janesville, Wisconsin, as well as to ask about your plans to ensure the continued viability of the Janesville GM plant in the future.

We are concerned about this week's announcement by GM that one shift of production will be eliminated at the Janesville plant, and about the effects this announcement will have on the GM workers and their families, as well as the city of Janesville and the state of Wisconsin. This week's announcement is estimated to impact approximately 750 workers in the Janesville plant, but effects of the layoffs will undoubtedly impact the larger Janesville community as well as other businesses that work with the GM plant. These are challenging economic times for employers and employees alike and it will take a multi-faceted approach involving government, community organizations, and employers to assist the workers affected by this layoff.

As you know, GM has been an essential part of Janesville for generations and has a dedicated workforce of over two thousand employees. The Janesville workers have been commended for their productivity and the Janesville plant celebrated an impressive achievement in late 2005 with the production of sixteen million vehicles since 1923. The workers have proven their commitment to GM and the Janesville community for generations and remain committed to supporting GM's future success.

We ask that you give every consideration to maintaining GM's presence in Janesville, as well as taking future steps to ensure the continued success of the Janesville plant, including considering the assignment of new production models at the plant. We will continue to closely monitor GM's presence in Janesville and look forward to working with you to support the Janesville plant and its dedicated workforce in coming months and years.

Sincerely,



Russell D. Feingold  
United States Senator



Herb Kohl  
United States Senator



Paul Ryan  
Member of Congress