

TO: Senator Dole  
FR: Kerry

RE: National Concrete Masonry Association  
Thursday, April 18 at 10:30  
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\*You will be speaking to thirty five members of the National Concrete Masonry Association in town for a legislative meeting.

\*Attending the meeting (and writing a letter requesting you attend) is Ray Browning, President of Capitol Concrete of Topeka.

\*Randall Pence, NCMA Vice President for Government Affairs, suggests brief opening remarks on the Gulf and issues of day, followed by a question and answer session. Pence said he heard you speak at a breakfast a few weeks ago where you discussed Kuwait and opportunities for American businesses, and said his folks would like to hear this.

\*He also provided a list of priorities of the NCMA, and said you can expect questions on these issues:

**1. RECOGNITION OF THERMAL MASS IN THE NATIONAL ENERGY STRATEGY:** This, believe it or not, is their #1 priority. 36% of all energy produced in the U.S. is consumed in buildings for some degree of environmental control. The NCMA believes that any conservation strategy that does not address the thermal performance of construction materials and designs will miss an important opportunity.

The NCMA believes that increased use of thermal mass will reduce the need for expanded power facilities to meet peak loads, reduce energy cost for consumers, and provide environmental benefits. They believe that buildings using thermal mass should be eligible for tax incentives, energy-efficient mortgages, favorable utility rates, and other economic incentives.

**2. FIRE SAFETY LEGISLATION:** The U.S. continues to lead the industrialized world in yearly losses in lives and property due to fire.

NCMA believes federal legislation is needed requiring many structures to have sprinklers, smoke detectors, and fire-resistive construction materials.

Last year, Congress passed legislation to improve fire safety in hotels and motels. NCMA believes these provisions should be expanded to include HUD multi-family housing, elderly housing, hospitals and federal buildings.

3. **AVIATION/MASS TRANSIT FUNDING INCREASES:** NCMA supports initiatives to expand federal funding for expansion of aviation and mass transit facilities, and that this expansion should be funded primarily from dedicated user fees, not general Treasury funds.

4. **INDOOR AIR POLLUTION:** NCMA supports legislation to fund indoor air pollution research and development of remedial efforts.

5. **STRIKER REPLACEMENT:** NCMA opposes striker-replacement legislation.

6. **CAPITAL GAINS TAX:** NCMA supports reduction in capital gains tax.

7. **SOCIAL SECURITY PAYROLL TAX ROLLBACK:** NCMA supports rollback and urgent a pay-as-you-go system for Social Security.

8. **MANDATED BENEFITS/FAMILY LEAVE:** NCMA opposes government mandates, and supports incentives which encourage businesses to offer benefits on voluntary basis.

9. **OSHA:** NCMA opposes further action in this Congress to increase OSHA fines and criminal penalties.

10. **PRODUCT LIABILITY REFORM:** NCMA supports uniform national law regulating product liability lawsuits.



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On the morning of April 18, 1991, the National Concrete Masonry Association (NCMA) will be conducting its Washington Legislative Meeting on Capitol Hill. I am a member of this organization and will be attending the meeting.

I would like to ask Senator Dole to address our legislative meeting. Given the Senator's committee assignments and outstanding legislative record, I feel it would be very helpful for me and our other attendees to hear his views and ask a question or two.

We would like to block out 30 minutes for him to spend with our organization, half of the time for remarks and the other half for questions and answers.

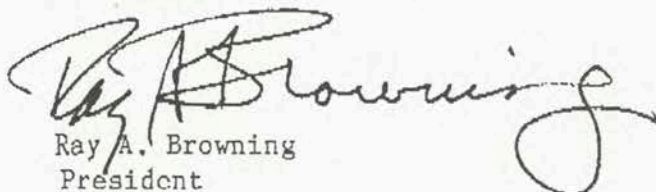
Randall Pence, NCMA's Director of Government Relations will be contacting you soon with regard to this event, if he hasn't done so already. He will provide you with more details. However, I can say that the meeting will be in the Capitol Building and will be on a day when the Congress is scheduled to be in session to make it more convenient to attend.

I was talking with the Senator about some other matters during his recent appearance to honor Dr. Menninger at the villages here in Topeka and I neglected to ask him about this meeting.

We are hoping to finalize the schedule by March 26, so I would appreciate it if you could let me know by then whether he will attend.

Thank you very much, I look forward to your early response.

Sincerely,

  
Ray A. Browning  
President

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March 12, 1991

The Honorable Robert Dole  
141 Hart Building  
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Dear Senator Dole:

On the morning of April 18, 1991, the National Concrete Masonry Association (NCMA) will be conducting its Washington Legislative Meeting on Capitol Hill. Our attendees are the most politically active and influential policy-makers in our industry.

On behalf of NCMA, I would like to extend a formal invitation for you to address our meeting. This request is also being extended by constituents of yours who will be in attendance.

As you may already know, NCMA represents construction products producers across the country. Our industry comprises a major portion of the construction business in America, producing nearly 6 billion construction units of concrete block, brick, pavers and specialty products per year.

Our industry is active regarding a broad range of important topics before the 102nd Congress, including but not limited to: infrastructure revitalization, the transportation reauthorization, housing policy, energy conservation, fire safety -- as well as the labor and small business agenda.

We would suggest a thirty-minute appearance, allowing roughly ten to fifteen minutes for prepared delivery with the remaining time for questions and answers. We are reserving thirty-minute blocks beginning at 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00 and 11:30. Briefing materials will be provided in advance if you would like, but of course, we would be pleased to hear about any business topics which you would like to address.

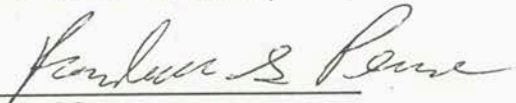
For Members' convenience, the location will be on the Hill, in S126 of the Capitol Building, and we have selected a day when Congress will be in session to facilitate your schedule.

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I will contact your staff soon as to your availability. To assist our staff planning, we would greatly appreciate a firm response by March 26.

We certainly look forward to hearing your views!

With best wishes,

  
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Randall G. Pence  
Director, Government Relations

