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The Honorable Eddie Bernice Johnson  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Science, Space & Technology  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman Johnson:

Thank you for your letter dated July 21, 2017 regarding a recent report in Reuters that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is planning a "red team-blue team" to engage on the scientific consensus on human caused climate change. The Administrator has asked me to respond on his behalf.

The Agency is committed to continuing efforts to evaluate and analyze in a transparent manner any circumstances that may exist affecting climate change. As of now, nothing has been scheduled. We look forward to updating you as our efforts progress.

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

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Troy Lyons", written over a horizontal line.

Troy M. Lyons  
Associate Administrator