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DEAR MR GENSLER,

RE: HOME FUEL OIL

TO THE PERSON OPENING THIS LETTER, PLEASE GIVE IT TO MR GENSLER.

TODAY, THE WALL STREET JOURNAL REPORTED THAT GASOLINE INVENTORIES HAVE HIT THEIR HIGHEST POINT IN MORE THAN 20 YEARS (SEE ATTACHED WSJ ARTICLE).

CONTRARY TO THE CONCEPT OF SUPPLY AND DEMAND DICTATING THE PRICE OF GASOLINE, EXXON'S PUMP PRICE WENT UP \$.04 TODAY IN N.J.

THERE IS PURE MANIPULATION OF THE MARKET BY THE OIL COMPANIES, THE REFINERS, INVESTORS AND THE HEDGE FUNDS.

THIS GOUGING IS CLEARLY EVIDENCED BY EXXON'S 53 % INCREASE IN PROFITS FOR THE LAST QUARTER OF 2010. IS EXXON BIGGER THAN THE U S GOVERNMENT.

WE KNOW THAT CORPORATE AMERICA HAS NO CONSCIENENCE, BUT WHY **WILL NOT** MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND OUR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES STAND UP TO OBVIOUS MONOPOLISTIC AND MANIPULATIVE ACTS THAT ARE DETRIMENTAL TO AND CREATES FINANCIAL HARDSHIP FOR LOWER MIDDLE CLASS CITIZENS.

DO WE NEED RALLIES AND PROTESTS TO CAUSE GOVERNMENT TO ACT ?

VERY TRULY YOURS,


DON M GASKELL

STOCKS & CUR

MONDAY'S MARKETS

Brent's Rise Rallies Chevron, Exxon

DJIA Slips 5.07; Decline Limited as Crude Contract's Climb Benefits Oil Majors

By KRISTINA PETERSON

Tuesday, February 15, 2011 C5

NEW YORK—On an otherwise quiet day in the stock market, energy stocks strengthened as Brent crude-oil futures touched a 2½-year high.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average closed down 5.07 points, or 0.04%, at 12268.19. Exxon Mobil rose \$2.09, or 2.5%, to \$84.91, while Chevron gained 1.22, or 1.3%, to 96.95 after ICE Brent crude for April delivery rose \$2.14 a barrel, or 2.12%, to \$103.08, the highest settlement since Sept. 26, 2008.

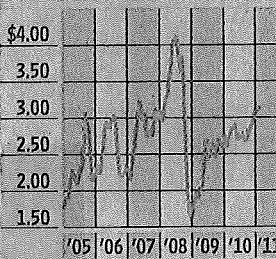
Weighing on the Dow, Wal-Mart Stores fell 89 cents, or 1.6%, to 54.80, after J.P. Morgan Chase cut the retailer's stock-investment rating to "neutral" from "overweight," predicting a prolonged deterioration in sales. Verizon Communications also was weak, falling 49 cents, or 1.4%, to 35.90.

The Standard & Poor's 500-

RENCIES

Vital Signs

Weekly regular gasoline prices, per gallon



Source: Energy Information Administration

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 ■ The cost of a tank of gas has been climbing, but relief may be in sight. The average price of regular gasoline rose to \$3.14 a gallon in the latest report, up from \$2.61 a year ago and the highest level since October 2008.

But oil prices have fallen recently, and with snow keeping some drivers at home gasoline inventories have hit their highest point in more than twenty years.

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