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Mismatched: John Bryson & the Commerce Department

The Department of Commerce needs an economic leader – not an environmental activist. John Bryson, the President' nominee for Secretary of Commerce, has a history of making it harder and more expensive for America's job creators to grow and hire new workers by:

- **Founding an Extreme Environmental Organization**
The Natural Resources Defense Council has filed thousands of lawsuits to stop the production of American energy development.
- **Advocating Job Crushing Energy Taxes**
*He called the Waxman-Markey Cap and Trade bill "moderate but acceptable."
He also said that cap and trade was a good way to **hide** a carbon tax.*
- **Called for Global Wealth Redistribution**

Mr. Bryson is not the right person for this job. America needs a Commerce Secretary who is more focused on free trade – not cap and trade - especially with our current economic challenges:

High Unemployment	9.1%
Historic Joblessness	6.2 m. Americans – nearly half of all unemployed workers have been jobless for more than six months - higher than during the Great Depression.
Anemic Growth	1. 8% GDP (Q1, 2011)
High Trade Deficit	\$48.2 b. (March, 2011)
Trade (In) Balance	55% higher trade deficit since First Quarter 2009

The President should nominate a pro-growth business leader who will help the Department fulfill its mission of making "*American businesses more innovative at home and more competitive abroad.*"