

Dear

Last week, the Los Alamos National Laboratory announced plans to cut as many as 750 jobs. This wasn't welcome Thanksgiving news -- and unfortunately, without the right leadership in Washington fighting for the people of New Mexico, this may be just the beginning.

These job cuts are a major blow. After all, the Los Alamos and Sandia laboratories are major engines for economic growth and ingenuity here in New Mexico. Now families from LANL and Sandia labs are waiting to see just how deep these cuts are going to go.

Enough is enough. If Tom Udall, Heather Wilson, and Steve Pearce -- our elected Representatives in Congress -- won't fight to save our labs, we will.



Help me restore full funding for our national labs -- sign the petition now!

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At lunch in the LANL cafeteria today, I met with dozens of lab employees who are concerned about what these job cuts will mean for them. As I listened to their stories, one point became abundantly clear:

We need leaders in Washington who will fight for the labs -- for the sake of their hard-working employees and the tens of thousands of New Mexico families who will be affected, directly or indirectly, by these job cuts.

After all, LANL's payroll represents nearly \$1 billion every year for New Mexico's economy and provides good jobs for more than 12,000 New Mexico families. We can't afford to lose any more jobs at Los Alamos or Sandia labs.

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New Mexicans must send a Senator to Washington who will stand up alongside Jeff Bingaman and fight for them -- not someone who supports job cuts at New Mexico's national laboratories.

Unfortunately, my 3 opponents in the Senate race -- Representatives Tom Udall, Heather Wilson, and Steve Pearce -- all had a chance to stop these cuts. Instead, earlier this year, the U.S. House of Representatives passed a bill that would strip about \$400 million in funding from Los Alamos and Sandia labs.

Tom Udall voted for these funding cuts, saying it would send the labs "a message." Well, throwing people out of work and endangering our national security is not the

"message" New Mexicans want to hear from people in Washington like Tom Udall.

As your next U.S. Senator, I'll fight for the labs, for the employees, for their families, and for all New Mexicans in Washington, DC. Let's start, right now, by fighting back against these job cuts.

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Our Representatives Tom Udall, Heather Wilson, and Steve Pearce should be fighting for New Mexico, not siding with Washington lobbyists and insiders.

It's time to send Congress a message. I'll deliver our petition to Congress in the next few weeks, and I want your name on it. Please sign the petition and urge Congress to restore full funding of New Mexico's national labs now!

Sincerely,

Marty Chavez

Democratic Candidate for U.S. Senate

P.S. With this first wave of job cuts slated to take effect as soon as January, we don't have any time to lose. Please sign the petition now, and help me fight for full funding of New Mexico's national labs!

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