I have been trying to put a stop to the unchecked growth of tax breaks and to slow our growing National debt. I am concerned about spending—whether through the Appropriations Act or the Tax Code. We need to closely examine both types of expenditures to ensure that each is effective, efficient and truly necessary. As we continue seeking ways to reduce the deficit, I look forward to hearing from you. I believe that closing tax loopholes is an important way to protect the Treasury and better avoid raising taxes on working families. You may view my exchange with Jeffrey Liebman, Acting Deputy Director, Office of Management and Budget by clicking here.