Energy is Everything.
In virtually every human activity and invention, energy plays an important role: powering, building and improving the quality of everyday life.

Driving Route 66, the “Mother Road,” illustrates this point. The asphalt on Route 66 and many of America’s highways is a byproduct of refining crude oil. Our vehicles are fueled mostly by gasoline and diesel. The plastic components in our cars and truck come from oil. Driving the open road is made better, more efficient and more comfortable by modern fuels, pavement and vehicles made with the help of petroleum.

QUICK FACTS:
• Route 66 stretches **2,400 miles** from Chicago to Los Angeles, crossing eight states. Oklahoma has more miles of the original highway than any of the other states.
• The highway was commissioned in **1926**. John Steinbeck’s “Grapes of Wrath” was the first to refer to Route 66 as the “Mother Road.”
• Current maps don’t include Route 66; it disappeared from “official” maps in **1985**.
• The National Route 66 Museum is located in Elk City, Okla.
• Bobby Troup wrote the song, “Get Your Kicks on Route 66” in **1946**.

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OKLAHOMA

LIFE IS A HIGHWAY!

ROAD: Asphalt, a semi-solid form of petroleum produced during crude oil refining.

HIGHWAY STRIPING: Thermoplastics/polymers, derived from petroleum.

FUEL: Gasoline and diesel, refined from crude oil.

BUCKET SEATS: Polyester, vinyl, nylon — polymers made from oil.

TIRES: Synthetic rubber and carbon compounds.

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HYDRAULIC FRACTURING

Much of our nation’s oil and natural gas production originates from hydraulic fracking, and Oklahoma has benefited greatly from the fracking industry.

Tom Cole
U.S. Representative

ON THE ISSUES

HYDRAULIC FRACTURING

States are best positioned to regulate oil and natural gas activities using transparent data and sound science. Oklahoma demonstrated this recently when it proactively put into place new guidelines intended to help manage and mitigate small, anomalous seismic events that have occurred around completion operations. It compliments industry’s monitoring efforts to ensure the responsible development of Oklahoma’s abundant natural resources for years to come.

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