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To: Interested Parties

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Re: Summary of Primary Election Polling Results in Pennsylvania CD-12

Jason Altmire holds a wide lead over Mark Critz in the Democratic primary for the newly-drawn 12th CD in Pennsylvania. Altmire gets strong marks from primary voters, and he maintains a double-digit lead after voters hear information about both candidates.

Voters like Jason Altmire personally and think he is doing a good job in Congress.

- Voters are extremely favorable towards Altmire personally (57% favorable / 17% unfavorable, 74% name ID), and 56% give him a positive job rating.
- Altmire's current constituents make up 64% of the newly-created district's primary voters and give him even stronger ratings (73% favorable / 22% unfavorable), making him hard to displace among them.

Altmire's popularity translates into majority support over Mark Critz.

- Altmire leads Mark Critz by 16 points (50% Altmire / 34% Critz).
- Altmire holds a massive lead among his current constituents (66% Altmire / 17% Critz).
- Altmire also leads big in his native Westmoreland County (51% Altmire / 27% Critz), despite most of Westmoreland County being in Critz' current district.
- Altmire leads among voters of both genders, every ideological bent (liberal, moderate, and conservative), union and non-union members, and older and younger voters.

Altmire's support is deep as well as broad, and he maintains a double-digit lead after voters hear balanced information about both candidates.

Altmire's lead is not solely based on more voters knowing him than Critz. Altmire holds an 11-point lead (49% Altmire / 38% Critz) after voters learn the following positive information about both candidates:

Jason Altmire is a Democratic Congressman from Allegheny County. In Congress, Altmire says he has always put Western Pennsylvania first. He says he has helped small businesses here cut through red tape and create jobs to get the economy moving. He says he has fought against government contracts for Chinese steelmakers and demanded that our veterans receive the benefits they deserve. In Congress, Altmire says he will continue to fight for our commitment to seniors like Medicare and Social Security and will always put the middle class first.

Mark Critz is a Democratic Congressman from Cambria County and was formerly a top aide in economic development for the late Congressman John Murtha. In Congress, he says he is focusing on legislation that will help improve the economy and create jobs, support the members of our armed services and their families, and help our veterans. Critz says he will continue to fight outsourcing by standing up against tax breaks for corporations that ship jobs overseas and protecting Medicare from Social Security.

Anzalone Liszt Research conducted N=503 live telephone interviews with likely 2012 Primary Election voters in PA CD-12. Interviews were conducted between January 10-15, 2012. Respondents were selected at random, with interviews apportioned geographically based on past voter turnout. The margin of error is $\pm 4.4\%$ for all voters and higher for subgroups.