

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

April 5, 2011

The Honorable John Boehner
Speaker
U.S. House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Speaker:

We write out of concern for the entrepreneurs and businessmen in the renewable and green energy industry who have relied in good faith on the federal government to deliver on the loan guarantees for which the Department of Energy (DOE) solicited applications for last year.

These businesses, many of them small and capital constrained, have spent hundreds of millions of dollars working with the Department of Energy to prepare loan applications. The projects that these loans would fund, in addition to creating over 25,000 jobs today, will help promote an industry utilizing cutting edge technologies that will lay the foundation for America's long term competitiveness.

With so many question marks in the economy, we are deeply concerned efforts to eliminate the DOE loan guarantee program not only create economic hardship for these private sector industries, but that the long term confidence of other entities partnering with the Federal government will be undermined. We believe it is important that applicants **who filed the Part II applications by the January 6th, 2011 deadline** be allowed to complete the loan evaluation process and be eligible for loan guarantees as envisioned in the original solicitation.


Mr. Speaker, this program was created in the 2005 Energy Policy Act, and in the bipartisan spirit of this act, we respectfully request that you make every effort to maintain adequate funding levels to finish the most recent Department of Energy solicitation evaluation and make the appropriate competitive award.

Thank you for taking our views into consideration.

Respectfully,



Laura Richardson
Member of Congress



Brian Bilbray
Member of Congress

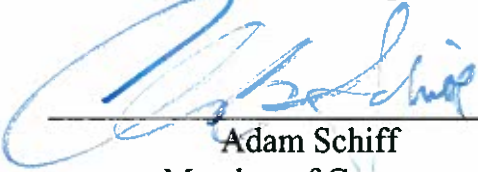
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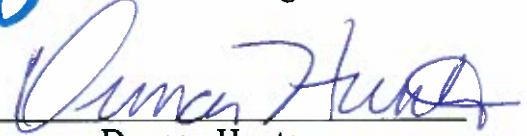
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