

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Jason Smith
Chairman
Ways & Means Committee
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Smith:

As Members of the House Republican Conference, we write to emphasize the importance of prioritizing energy affordability for American families and keeping on our current path to energy dominance amid efforts to repeal or reform current energy tax credits.

We strongly support the Administration's America First national energy dominance initiative. Continued energy expansion and innovation is necessary to bolster national security, create good-paying American jobs, and guarantee energy independence. The United States continues to produce energy from a myriad of sources that are cleaner and more efficient than anywhere else in the world. As our conference has long believed, an all-of-the-above energy approach, combined with a robust advanced manufacturing sector, will help support the United States' position as a global energy leader.

Countless American companies are utilizing sector-wide energy tax credits – many of which have enjoyed broad support in Congress – to make major investments in domestic energy production and infrastructure for traditional and renewable energy sources alike. Both our constituencies and the energy industry alike remain concerned about disruptive changes to our nation's energy tax structure. Many credits were enacted over the course of a ten-year period, which allowed energy developers to plan with these tax incentives in mind. These timelines have been relied upon when it comes to capital allocation, planning, and project commitments, all of which would be jeopardized by premature credit phase outs or additional restrictive mechanisms such as limiting transferability. As energy demand continues to skyrocket, any modifications that inhibit our ability to deploy new energy production risk sparking an energy crisis in our country, resulting in drastically higher power bills for American families. This is especially true for energy credits with direct passthrough benefit to ratepayers, where such repeals would increase utility bills the very next day. As our conference works to make energy prices more affordable, tax reforms that would raise energy costs for hard working Americans would be contrary to this goal. Further, affordable and abundant energy will be critical as the President works to onshore domestic manufacturing, supply chains, and good paying jobs, particularly in Republican run states due to their business-friendly environments. Pro-energy growth policies will directly support these objectives.

At the same time, there are plenty of shortcomings in our tax code that can and should be addressed to rein in spending and promote fiscal responsibility in the upcoming reconciliation bill.

With all this in mind, we request that any proposed changes to the tax code be conducted in a targeted and pragmatic fashion that promotes conference priorities without undoing current and

future private sector investments which will continue to increase domestic manufacturing, promote energy innovation, and keep utility costs down. We believe we can work together so that all these goals are achievable.

We appreciate your work to unite House Republicans on this important matter. We hope you can consider us partners in modernizing and improving our nation's tax policies to unleash American energy and protect families from higher energy costs.

Sincerely,



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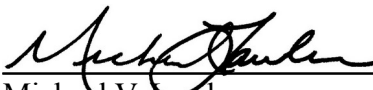
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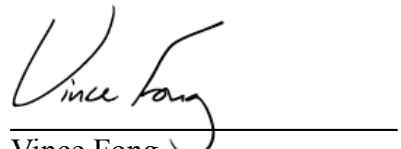
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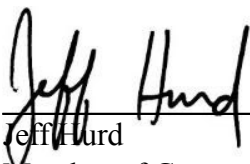
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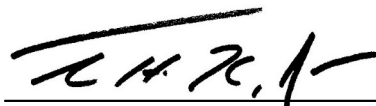
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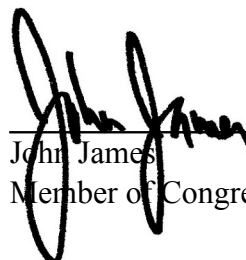
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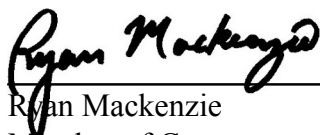
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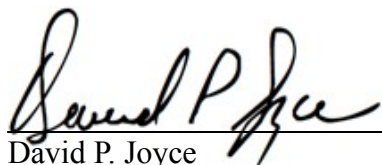
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